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Production For Defense Is Rated As Most Pressing

Much Faster Output Sought To Aid Britain

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(P)—Secretary Morgenthau was reported to have told a house appropriations committee today Sir Frederick Phillips, undersecretary of the British treasury, had informed him that England could make no more commitments for purchase of war materials in the United States unless financial aid was extended.

Committee members who disclosed this testimony given behind closed doors added that the treasury secretary repeated his statement that he believed that the United States could not extend loans or credits unless congress modified or repealed the Johnson act forbidding loans to debtor nations.

He left his hearers with the impression that whether to make such revision was entirely up to congress.

The discussion on Britain came up after the treasury secretary outlined to the treasury-postoffice appropriations subcommittee the needs of his own department during the fiscal year beginning next July 1.

Morgenthau was reported to have made a factual analysis of Great Britain's need for aid from the United States without, however, making any recommendations.

Also, he reiterated to the committee his opinion that the ever-increasing federal debt brought about in part by defense requirements would require an increase in the debt limit to \$60,000,000,000 or \$65,000,000,000. The ceiling now is \$49,000,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(P)—Secretary Hull was reported today to have told defense commissioners and other government officials that Great Britain probably would face a serious crisis next spring unless present delivery schedules of American war supplies were considerably increased.

Disclosure of the cabinet member's view followed an outright British request for financial assistance from the United States government. Details of the appeal were not made public.

Hull was understood to have urged all speed possible in producing arms, planes, and other supplies. Similarly, it was learned that the shipping situation is being examined to determine whether additional merchant ships might be made available for rushing supplies to Britain.

Hull's statements were believed to be partially responsible for the comments of William S. Knudsen and other defense officials that greater speed is necessary in the defense program.

Knudsen, a member of the defense commission, yesterday described the production situation as one of "terrible urgency." That declaration and the British request for financial help put two formidable problems on President Roosevelt's desk.

As Mr. Roosevelt returned to the executive offices for the first full day after his two-week Caribbean trip, the belief grew in

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McElroy Home Is Sold For Taxes

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—(P)—The home of the late H. F. McElroy was sold for taxes today in the same city hall where he once was city manager in the days when T. J. Pengerger was the political boss there.

The 1940 taxes of \$91.99 on the property at 21 West 57th street had been paid. Walker Hickman, investor in tax titles, bid in the property.

As heir to the property, Henry J. McElroy, Jr., may redeem it within five years.

Minister of Munitions Arrives Safely

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(P)—It was stated authoritatively tonight that Charles D. Howe, Canadian minister of munitions, who was aboard the liner Western Prince when she was torpedoed west of Ireland Saturday, had arrived safely at a British port.

6 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

TO BUY SWEATER FOR WILLIE

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

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British Desert Forces Press on Libyan Port

Last Remnants Of Italians Driven Out Of Egypt

By The Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt, Dec. 17.—Three more Italian forts have fallen to the British who, with fresh reinforcements, are driving on the important port of Bardia with "steadily increasing pressure," a general headquarters communique reported today.

The three forts—Mosaid, Sidi Omar and Shefferzan—are just west of the Egyptian-Libyan frontier. The British gained their first foothold on Italian colonial soil by taking Fort Capuzzo and now are sweeping west over the Libyan desert in an attempt to encircle Bardia with motorized units.

Australian troops were said to have captured Italian trucks and a gun in a moonlit battle last night. A communique reported renewed offensive patrolling "on a considerable scale" on the Kenya frontier in East Africa.

The royal air force middle east command reported also that the British had captured 115 damaged Italian airplanes on bases near Salum and had shot down 10 others yesterday.

CAIRO, Dec. 17.—(P)—Pressure on the important Libyan port of Bardia is "steadily increasing"

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Seven Men Are Trapped In Mine

BECKLEY, W. Va., Dec. 17.—(P)—The body of one of at least seven men believed trapped by an explosion in the No. 4 mine of the Raleigh Coal and Coke company was brought to the surface shortly before 2 p. m. today by an oxygen-helmeted rescue crew.

The dead miner was W. M. Kiek, a machinist. Rescue workers said he had been "torn to pieces" by the force of the blast.

Five men were brought out and sent to hospitals suffering from burns an hour after the explosion tore through the "slope" mine here.

Company officials said they believed 14 men were still caught behind debris, a mile or more inside the hill which rises about the big tipple.

John Layton In Grave Condition

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(P)—Johnny Layton, of Sedalia, Mo., seven times holder of the world's three cushion billiard championship, was in grave condition today as the result of injuries suffered Sunday night when knocked down by a street car.

Layton, suffering from a severe head injury, has been unconscious since the accident and physicians have been unable to make an X-ray examination because of the danger of moving him. He is 51.

The billiardist has been in Chicago, participating in the world's championship tournament opening here next month.

General Assembly To Start Session Economy-Minded

(The taxpayers may get a break from the first general assembly. The following story on the outlook for governmental economy is the second in a series based on an Associated Press poll of members of the legislature which will convene in Jefferson City January 8.)

By Howard Flieger
JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 17.—(P)—It will be an economy-minded legislature that gathers here January 8 to open a session predestined to financial woes.

An Associated Press poll of the new members today showed almost a solid front against any tax hiking proposals—despite the prospects of the most costly budget in the state's history.

Of the members replying to a survey, only seven said they would even consider tampering with the sales tax, for example, and then only if it appeared necessary to boost the two per cent levy for the sake of old age pensions.

If the dollar-conscious representatives have their way—especially the minority Republicans—the hundreds of patronage jobholders on the state's payrolls may be in for dark days.

Against Tax Increase
"There are too many on state payrolls now," said J. B. Herford (R) Hammond. "The people are paying enough taxes. I'm for cutting expenses."

"With proper economy in all departments, no (tax) increase should be necessary," said Rep. J. C. Woods (D) of Memphis.

The money-saving bent of the legislators may mean a stubborn resistance to any effort to boost the allotment for direct relief—a program that took \$8,000,000 in state taxes this year and last.

The views of Rep. Bert Cooper (D) Nodaway county, a veteran of the house, are typical of the replies:

"I am undecided, but I do not believe I would approve an increase in the sales tax," even if it appeared that were the only means of increasing the money for direct relief, he said.

"With the big expenditures in rearmament, we should get away from direct relief as soon as possible."

Several other members are hoping that employment resulting from national defense projects may ease the relief burden and make it possible for this session to cut that branch of social security. The last assembly tried to cut it and had to come back in special session to vote more money to tide the relief families through the winter.

"The cost of operating all phases of our government are too high," said Rep. Fred W. Norden (R) of Butler county. "Taxes must be slashed and costs must be lowered. I will be in there fighting every bill that would increase taxes on the masses."

Sen. Frank P. Briggs of Macon, a leader of the Democratic majority, probably put his finger on the tax consciousness of the legislature when he said this of the two per cent sales tax:

"I am of the opinion that the people will not stand an increased sales tax regardless of its purpose."

"I can tell you without hesitation that the number one problem of the legislature will be finding funds to carry on the normal functions of the state government." (Tomorrow—Reorganization.)

Says Invasion Plans Proceed

LONDON, Dec. 17.—(P)—Lord Beaverbrook, minister of aircraft production, declared over the radio tonight that Germany "is making preparations for invasion of England before springtime—by land and sea, but principally by air."

Hitler is making an "immense attempt" to bring out a huge air force in the early months of next year, Lord Beaverbrook said, and that there are "sure and certain signs" of a feverish development of production.

"These vast preparations," he added, "are directed at one objective—the invasion of Britain."

"So we are warned. We know that same measure of preparation was carried out in Germany last winter. Tanks and dive bombers to destroy the French; the same thoroughness will be employed against us when the time comes."

Lord Beaverbrook told Britons they were "much too confident" and added "there is no justification for over-confidence now."

"It must be acknowledged that Hitler is still military master of Europe, but not quite so much the master he was," he went on.

Lieut. Handley Tells Of Camp

Sedalia Batteries Fare Well In Quarters At Fort Jackson

Lieutenant Pat Handley, Battery F, 128th Field Artillery, Missouri National Guard, with the Sedalia units of the National Guard, at Fort Jackson, S. C. writes a member of the Democrat news staff as follows:

"Since the tents are in order and the kitchens are putting out food regularly and a few other things have been attended to, I feel that someone should send a little information to the folks at home about how the boys in the Sedalia batteries are faring at Fort Jackson.

"As you know we left home on Thursday morning, Dec. 5 and arrived that evening about 6 o'clock at Battery A armory in St. Louis where we spent the night.

"Next day we moved to Caruthersville, Mo., where we slept in the armory and a school house.

"The third night on the road found us at Tupelo, Miss., where we were quartered in a fine new high school gymnasium and were fed from the high school cafeteria. From Tupelo we moved on to Thomson, Ga., where we slept in a gymnasium and ate at the leading (only) hotel. Best meal we had on the road too. Next day about noon (Tuesday, Dec. 10) we rolled up to our area at Fort Jackson and what a surprise greeted us. Our tent houses were up and our kitchens, mess halls and bath houses were ready for us.

"Our battalion commander, Lt. Col. Stuart Lewis of Eldon, had been here for about two weeks as advance officer for the regiment and had done a wonderful job of making arrangements for us. We now have complete arrangements for living, while some outfits which have been here for three months or more are still cooking their meals outdoors on field ranges.

"The men of both headquarters Battery, of the Second Battalion, and Battery F stood the trip fine and seem to be in the best of spirits. Sickness has been very slight and consisted mostly of colds and minor aches and pains. Equipment In Tents
It may be of some interest to the home folks to know what the boys have in the way of living quarters and equipment.

"Our living quarters are boxed and floored tents with wood floors and a Sibley stove in each tent. Six men are quartered in a tent which is eighteen feet square. They have been issued steel cots, mattresses, three army blankets, a big fluffy comforter, pillow, sheets and pillow slips. Additional clothing and equipment is coming in daily.

"Our Regimental Chaplain, Captain Reynolds, is arranging for athletics and entertainment for the men. The people in charge at Fort Jackson have been most kind and courteous about everything and have left nothing undone to add to our comfort.

"Our time since arrival and until Saturday is given over to organization and arrangement of living area and cleanup of our equipment after the road march. The corps commander will inspect the regiment Saturday morning and Sedalia outfits will be ready for him.

"I might add that the Sedalia boys show up well in comparison with any other troops on the post and show promise of carrying their share of the load throughout the year. Anything they are asked to do they get done without a murmur and come back for more.

"Captain Berry, Lt. Mathews, Lt. Blue, Lt. Dale and Major Norlin and Lt. Wolf all join me in sending best regards to you and all of the folks in Sedalia. Will try to keep you informed of our progress here."

Forgery Charge On Niederhelm

A man whose name is known to the police as Clarence Niederhelm, was picked up this morning by officers Maness and Riley for investigation. He was found at Third street and Engineer avenue, and on the way to police headquarters he endeavored to hide several alleged worthless checks he is believed to have written.

The officers were advised he had tried to pass checks at several business houses down town, and according to reports did pass one at the Pettis County Mercantile company on South Osage avenue for \$15.

He is also alleged to have passed a \$10.35 check to George Chambers at a filling station, Broadway and Engineer avenue.

The checks were written on the Third National bank for amounts ranging from \$7.35 to \$15. They bore the name, Carl Sullivan, with the purported signature, Clarence M. Swope; another to Robert H. Nelson; another to Carl Sullivan but no name had been signed.

Niederhelm was lodged in the city jail and will be held for further questioning.

This afternoon charges of forgery were filed in the court of Judge C. W. Bente, sitting as ex-officio justice of the peace, against Niederhelm on two counts. He will be given a hearing before Judge Bente the latter part of this week.

He was taken to the county jail where he will be held pending his hearing.

Group For 'No Foreign War'

Trend Toward 'Participation In War' Watched

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(P)—Formation of the No Foreign War committee was announced today by Verne Marshall, editor of the Cedar Rapids, Ia., Gazette, who is chairman of the new organization.

The purpose of the committee, a statement said, is "to give articulation to that overwhelming majority of American citizens which is definitely on record as opposed to our direct physical involvement in the present war x x."

At its helm, besides Marshall, are O. K. Armstrong, Springfield, Mo., author, as director of organization, and Robert A. Lancaster, New York investment bank associate, as treasurer.

In a statement issued after a two-day organizational meeting here, Marshall said:

"For months, out in Iowa, I have watched the development of a psychological trend toward actual and physical American participation in this war.

"The William Allen White Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies has done an effective job of originating and developing exactly the same public psychology as that which was carefully created during the war period preceding our declaration of hostilities, in April, 1917.

'Opposition Lacking'

"In a large measure, the success of the White committee is due to the lack of opposition to its efforts. The masses of people who are extremely fearful of their country's catastrophic involvement in the current phase of Europe's incessant warfare have had no voice with a national audience.

"It is the purpose of the No Foreign War committee to provide that voice, to give articulation to the hopes and prayers of those innumerable millions of Americans who know that if they are dragged once again into the economic and political conflicts of the old world, only complete world chaos can result."

The statement issued by the committee said:

"For several months Armstrong has been laying the ground work for the No Foreign War Campaign. He has enlisted the cooperation of religious, peace, business, civic and other groups, with an aggregate membership, he says, of about 25,000,000 people. A committee representing these groups met in New York Sunday evening and Monday.

"The selection of Marshall, Armstrong and Lancaster as executives of the committee, who will conduct the drive against the physical entanglement of the United States in foreign wars, was confirmed at the committee sessions.

"It was made plain that the No Foreign War campaign will start with the premise that the United States needs and must have an impregnable defense, and that aid to Britain is desirable. But it must not drag this country into war."

Marriage License Issued

Leonard Lottinville of Sedalia and Florence E. Pabst of Clifton City.

With your toast drink Golden Reas Flavo-tainer packed. At your grocers.—Adv.

Twelve Dead; Boy Missing, In Explosion

Families Blasted Out Of Beds At Cincinnati, Ohio

CINCINNATI, Dec. 17.—(P)—Members of four families were blasted out of their beds by a pre-dawn explosion that wrecked a three-story downtown building and killed 12 persons today.

Twelve others were injured and a twelve year old boy was unaccounted for in the pile of brick, kindling and dust. The structure housed business establishments on the first floor and apartments on the upper floors at the northern edge of the market district. Twelve children were among the victims including a baby whose mother, Frank Coppock said was born to Mrs. Lillian Schnitzer, 42, before she too was taken lifeless from the wreckage.

While the cause was not determined immediately, Joe Hughes, 37, who lived across the street said the explosion "was like a puff from ignited gas." Windows were blown out for blocks by the re-percussion which shook nearby buildings, according to Hughes, "like a ship on high seas."

Some of the bodies were so badly torn they could not be identified immediately.

Screams From Trapped

Screams of adults and children, trapped in the debris, spurred emergency squads of police and firemen as they dug into the ruins. Assistant Fire Chief Chris Williams said that those who didn't die of injuries were suffocated by smoke and dust.

Apartments were occupied by the families of Frank Schnitzer, Hubert Smith, Raymond Roy and Jack Morgan.

Identified dead were Joseph Koebe, 33, Dora Smith, 9; Helen Schnitzer, 8 and her brother, Leonard, 7.

Joseph Koebe, 33, a victim of the blast died after firemen fought for two hours to save him and, said Assistant Fire Chief Edward Shearwood, "he was the only man who knew what caused it all."

Tunneling 12 feet into brick and mortar debris, firemen uncovered Koebe to his waist. Timbers pinned his legs. Dense smoke and heat from a quickly-quenched blaze, made an inferno of the tunnel.

Firemen fastened an inhalator over Koebe's face and while an

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Draftees From West Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 17.—(P)—Three hundred forty Missourians will be mustered into the army in the first draft call of January, Selective Service headquarters announced today.

The men will report to Leavenworth in three groups on January 6, 7 and 8. They will be the first contingent of the 1,694 quota set for January by Seventh Corps Area headquarters last week.

The official call for 340 recruits has not yet been received but Selective Service headquarters said the order was mailed from area headquarters in Omaha last night. All of January's initial draftees will be from western Missouri.

County by county quotas will not be set until the formal order is received.

Bothwell Hospital Notes

Junior Sanders, RFD No. 5 was admitted to the hospital to undergo an operation.

Mrs. Paul Harris, condition is reported as being somewhat improved.

London's Business Goes On As Exploding Bombs Drop

(Editor's Note: The Democrat presents the second installment of Milo M. Thompson's story of life in England as the war is being fought. Tomorrow's chapter relates miraculous escapes from death. Mr. Thompson is chief of The Associated Press' London bureau and returned to this country only recently for his first visit since 1938.)

By MILO M. THOMPSON

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(P)—The successful business manager in blitzkrieg London has to have the qualifications of a hotel proprietor, a building contractor, a referee, a father confessor, a transportation wizard, an advocate, a politician and an army captain.

All this is in addition to the qualifications of his own special business, whether he manufactures tin cans, operates a department store or runs a press association office.

He has to operate a shelter in which many employees, caught by the raids, must sleep at night. That brings up problems of heating, lighting, ventilation, cot assignments, laundry and sanitary conveniences.

Also involved in the supply of elementary cooking arrange-

John W. Menefee Files Answer To Election Contest

Judgment In A Suit Of \$1,425

In the case of Rolla A. Reams and Ella Reams against H. R. Williams, tried in the circuit court today without a jury, judgment was entered for plaintiffs in the sum of \$1,425 and immediately paid into open court. The case grew out of the unfortunate striking of a small child, Dixie June Reams, by an automobile on Highway 65, about seven miles north of Sedalia near Swopes Store on May 31. Lamm and Barnett were attorneys for plaintiffs and Montgomery, Martin and Montgomery were attorneys for defendant.

Challenge On Votes

Mr. Menefee challenges the vote of the following:

Jake Dirck, who voted in the 3rd precinct of the 2nd ward, alleging that Dirck was not properly registered, and that he was permitted to vote under the name of Jake Dirck, Jr., and that Jake Dirck, Jr., was permitted to register by affidavit and vote.

It alleges further that Dirck, Jr., was not on the days of registration, October 23, 24, 25, 1940, prevented from registering because of illness to himself, nor his family, and the vote of Jake Dirck, Jr., is also challenged.

Emma Fombelle, who voted in the 1st precinct of the 1st ward, because she did not retire to one of the voting booths provided for voters at the election, but prepared a ballot for voting outside of a booth, while sitting in an automobile.

Marie Adams and Joseph Adams, who voted in the 1st precinct of the 1st ward for the reason that on the date of the election, November 5, they had not been residents of the state for a period of one year preceding the election date.

Lee Rice, who voted in Blackwater No. 1 precinct, alleging that at the time he cast his vote he was not a resident of that precinct, but a resident of Blackwater, No. 2 precinct.

Daisy Williams, who voted in the 3rd precinct of the 1st ward, alleging she was not legally registered as a qualified voter, but that she voted under the registration of _____ Williams, and that the judges struck out the name of _____ Williams and inserted the name of Daisy Williams, and that she was not a qualified voter because she was not the person registered from the said address as _____ Williams.

Mrs. J. W. Carter, who voted in the 1st precinct of the 1st ward, alleging that in casting her ballot she did not retire to a booth, but prepared her ballot while sitting in an automobile.

Charley Baker and son Lynn Baker, who voted at Green Ridge, 1st precinct, because they alleged they had not been residents of Missouri for a year prior to the election.

Mrs. Myrtle Farley, who voted in Elk Fork precinct, because they allege she prepared her ballot while sitting in an automobile.

Helen Maupin, who voted in LaMonte, No. 2 precinct, alleging she had not been a resident of the state for a year prior to the election.

Clyde Shull and Looice Shull, who voted in Heaths Creek pre-

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Suit Here On Change Of Venue

A suit for \$1,000 was brought to the Pettis County circuit court from Clinton on a change of venue. The case is that of the Clinton Realty Co., a corporation, against the City of Clinton, a municipal corporation for damages to property in the hands of the Realty Co.

One count asks for \$800 damages to rental value of the land and \$200 on another count for damages to the land.

Credit Association To Hold Christmas Party

The Sedalia Retail Credit Association will hold its Christmas party tomorrow (Wednesday) noon at Hotel Bothwell at 12:10. A special entertainment committee has arranged a program in keeping with the occasion and which will include musical numbers by the Boys and Girls High School Glee club under the direction of Burney Morris.

Advance reservations are necessary and members are urged to phone the association office as to the number desired.

The Weather

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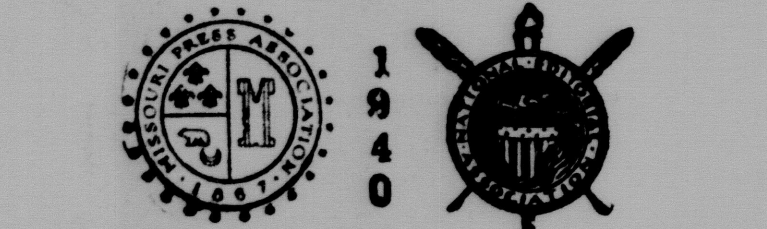
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Do They Still Read 'Mein Kampf'?

It has been the part of wisdom in Germany during the past few years to have a copy of Adolf Hitler's "Mein Kampf" lying about the house, preferably in a conspicuous place of honor.

Do they read that strange book in Germany now, one wonders?

Do they read it in Russia, and in Japan, and in Italy?

It would be interesting to know, because there is some mighty interesting reading there—reading made more rather than less interesting as events have unfolded.

The book was written in 1923. It would be strange, of course, if 17 years had not at all changed the opinions of its author, or of any man. Yet there are fascinating passages which would, one thinks, make absorbing reading in Germany, Japan, Italy, and Russia.

For instance:

For the Germans: "Coalition successes, by the very manner of their origin, harbor the germ for the later crumbling off..." Axis enthusiasts, full of zip about the German-Italian-Japanese coalition, should like that.

For The Japanese: "England would be doomed, were she to stand alone. Hence they anxiously reach out for the yellow fist and cling to an alliance which, viewed racially, is perhaps irresponsible..." Grip the Hitler hand more firmly, O Japanese, with your "yellow fist."

For the Russians: "We must never forget that the regents of present-day Russia are common blood-stained criminals; that here is the scum of humanity... a nation which combines a rare mixture of bestial horror with an inconceivable gift of lying..." Ah, there, Comrad Molotoff, you must come over again some time soon!

For the Italians: "As far as I am concerned personally, I could here guarantee with a clear conscience that I could still muster sufficient courage to participate in the victorious conquest of the South Tyrol..." True, Hitler said this mockingly to the "parliamentarians" he hated, taunting them for their unwillingness to fight for the Tyrol, but Mussolini knows Hitler has not forgotten this once-German territory.

Yes, "Mein Kampf" is still good reading. It should have been read more carefully in Europe and here many years ago.

But it is not too late to learn from its pages.

Anyone is a fool who plays a trick and brags about it, in public at least.—William Allen White, explaining a speech on his part in the "Aid to England" drive.

We do not intend to stop progress. If we were to stop progress, what need would there be for any national defense program?—Mayor LaGuardia of New York.

The first fault of our government was a lack of political courage.—Andre Maurois, French writer lecturing in the U. S.

Looking Backward

Forty Years Ago

At a meeting of the Queen City Dancing club, formerly the Autumn Leaf club, yesterday, it was decided to give their first dance under the new name at Tiede's hall Christmas night, and after that to give a ball every second Tuesday night. A resolution was adopted to employ only union music at all club dances.

Members of the State Board of Agriculture will meet here late this afternoon and drive to the State Fair grounds in company with Hons. C. E. Yeater and J. H. Bothwell, to inspect and receive the first of three new barns recently completed.

Col. Joseph Peltier, the veteran advertising hustler, yesterday celebrated the seventieth anniversary of his birth, and in honor of the occasion entertained a number of his friends at a turkey dinner.

J. R. Gunn shipped from Ottumville today a carload of fine mutton sheep to St. Louis, and N. A. Smith shipped a load of extra fat calves from the same point to Kansas City.

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen

WASHINGTON—Those reports about Defense Commissioner Sidney Hillman warring with the War Department for giving defense orders to Henry Ford are only part of the inside story. Before he tackled the War Department he did some plain talking to his fellow defense commissioners.

Behind the scenes, Hillman has been on the warpath over Ford ever since the army, with the approval of Defense Commissioner William Knudsen, awarded Ford a contract for 4,000 airplane engines the day after election—and thereby put Hillman, who knew nothing about the transaction, on the spot.

At that time Hillman was in the midst of a bitter CIO fight to oust John L. Lewis, who used the granting of defense orders to Wagner Act violators as one of his chief arguments against the president. Also embarrassed by the contract were R. J. Thomas, president of the United Auto Workers, and other union officers who had resisted Lewis' pressure and gone down the line for Roosevelt.

Hillman raised the roof about the Ford order. He was told that the need for plane engines was pressing, that until new plants were in operation, the government was compelled to get engines anywhere it could. Hillman accepted the explanation, but warned that the matter was not to be considered a precedent. Also, he quietly set about trying to effect an agreement between Ford and the Auto Workers.

Then, last week, he suddenly discovered that again unknown to him, the army had given Ford another order. This time Hillman did no informal, man-to-man protesting. He demanded an official meeting of the Defense Commission, and forced a formal, on-the-record showdown. The discussion was very illuminating.

Divided Commissioners

Knudsen declared that the second order actually was not a new one, merely an addition to the original to round it out. But then he went on to make it clear that personally he was opposed to using the Defense Commission as a labor act enforcement agency. The former General Motors head held that output is the only consideration and it is not up to the commission to be concerned about labor law violations.

Hillman, long-time head of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, insisted that the commission, as one branch of the government, could not consistently do business with law violators under fire by another branch of the government. Also that labor had the right to demand that recipients of defense orders be required to abide by the laws of the land.

Most of the other commissioners took a middle position, which can be summed up as supporting Hillman wherever it is possible to obtain the needed supplies without doing business with a labor act violator.

No final decision on the Ford order was reached at the meeting. But Hillman clearly is not through with the auto maker or the labor issue, and probably will take both matters directly to Roosevelt.

NOTE: The National Labor Relations Board has rendered six decisions against Ford, one of which already has been upheld by a U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Dies Blacklisted

Rep. Martin Dies, who has done a lot of blacklisting, has himself been put on a blacklist.

He has been barred from taking out any books from the Washington Public Library because of refusal to pay a fine of 80 cents for keeping books beyond the two-weeks period. The wordy Texan withdrew "They Shall Not Want" and "I Went to Pitt College," and the library had a very difficult time getting the books back.

After repeated requests Dies finally returned them. But he refused to pay the small fine imposed, at the rate of 2 cents a day, for his tardiness. Making no exception to its rules, the library thereupon placed him on its blacklist until he pays up.

Election Post-Mortem

Four leaders in the recent presidential battle had a frank post-mortem while waiting to testify before the grand jury impaneled by District Attorney Maurice Milligan to investigate campaign contributions.

The group in the anteroom consisted of Oren Root, young head of the Willkie clubs; John Hanes, one-time under-secretary of the treasury, and Lewis Douglas, former budget director, who organized the Democrats for Willkie; and Gene Casey, executive director of the Roosevelt-Wallace National Committee for Agriculture.

"Casey," asked Root, "how many votes would you say my organization swung to Willkie?"

"I'd say a good many. There is no question that your Willkie clubs brought in a lot of people who ordinarily don't take part in politics. But the question is whether their number offset the thousands of regular Republicans whom your clubs antagonized. My opinion is that the net was against you."

"I estimate," broke in dapper Hanes, "that John L. Lewis' speech gained a million and a half votes for Willkie." (The Democrats for Willkie committee said it put up the \$45,000 for the Lewis broadcast.)

"Maybe so," said Casey, "but I think the net result was a big loss for Willkie. You forget that for years the GOP had been painting Lewis as a sinister and dangerous figure. Then suddenly the farmers and others found this man, whom the GOP had convinced them was bad medicine, in bed with the Republican standard-bearer. That did not help Willkie. Lewis' speech cost you people millions of votes."

"I agree with Casey," quietly observed Douglas. "The net result of the speech definitely was minus. It lost a lot more votes than it won."

"Yes," grinned Casey, "it was not that they loved Roosevelt more but Lewis less."

NOTE: Casey's committee, winding up the campaign with that political rarity, money in the bank, plans to continue to operate. Headquarters will be transferred from Chicago to Indianapolis and provide vigorous support for Democratic congressmen in farm districts.

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BROUGHT
TO LIGHT
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OR TWO Or Three
DAYS
RELATIVE TO
PUBLIC OFFICERS
THAT WERE OF
INTEREST
AN OFFICER
CALLED A Sedalia
BUSINESS MAN
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HIS BUSINESS House
WAS OPEN
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DOWN TOWN
IN HIS Car
WITH HIS Gun
AS HE Alighted
FROM THE Car
THE GUN Slipped

EXPLODED
AND THE Bullet
GRAZED THE
OFFICER ON The Leg
IT CAME So Near
KILLING HIM
THAT THE Business Man
IS STILL Frightened
WHEN HE
THINKS OF The Incident
THEN ANOTHER Thing
A DOG
ACTING QUEERLY
WAS TAKEN
IN CHARGE
BY AN Officer
AND BIT
THE OFFICER
SO FAR
NOTHING HAS
HAPPENED TO The
OFFICER
BUT THE Dog
DIED
I THANK You.

Private Gets New Hair Cut At Army Camp

(Special To The Democrat)

By JACK REUTER

FORT JACKSON, SOUTH CAROLINA—The final units of the 128th Field Artillery arrived here December 12 to undergo a minimum of one year's training in this South Carolina camp which will have over 45,000 soldiers before the end of January.

Thursday night shortly after mess, the 128th Field Artillery band from Maryville, Mo., gathered in the light beams, of several of their company trucks and played "The Missouri Waltz." Immediately afterwards someone suggested they play "Show Me The Way To Go Home" but it was passed up in favor of "Carolina Moon."

Colonel Thanks Them
In a few minutes the band quietly walked to the officers' quarters where they played the



"Field Artillery Song," and Colonel Charles E. Barkshire of Columbia, in command of the 128th Field Artillery, appeared at the door and thanked the boys for the music.

The remainder of the Sedalia units arrived last Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with all the boys in good spirits but a little tired. Today the entire Headquarters Battery worked in cleaning up the quarters and unloading the trucks.

Here in our tent tonight the battery barber is doing a land office business clipping hair military style. I had mine cut that way last night and the rest of the fellows in our tent are doing the same thing tonight.

Razzing From Buddies

The barber chair is a foot locker set on end near my typewriter and the customer who is getting his hair clipped has to take a razzing from buddies sitting around the bunk waiting their turn. To the soldiers that can't pay on the barrel head, the barber gives them until pay day to clear their account.

Today I had my first real work as a buck private. Shortly after mess this morning I was sweeping out our tent when one of our sergeants appeared at the door. He didn't say anything for a while but just stood in the door watching me sweep, presently he complimented me on my work and told me and two other privates in our tent to follow him.

Well, I didn't know just what he wanted at the time but I soon found out. We ended up that morning mopping and sweeping out eight tent floors in a row, and in the afternoon we dug water drainage ditches around them. I guess the sergeant liked the way I was sweeping after all.

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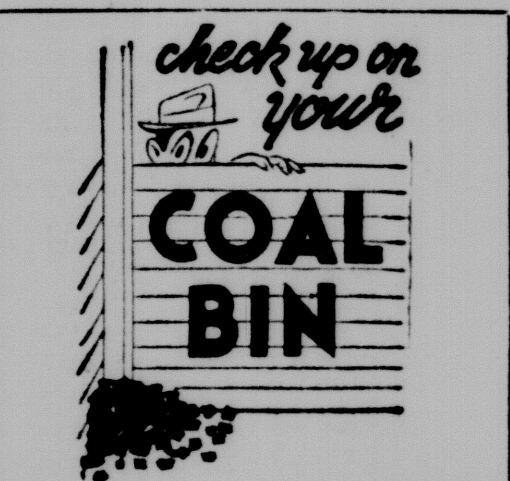


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2. Entries must be complete and lighted for judging from 6 'till 12 midnight, December 22, 23, 24.

3. Christmas Trees must be entered under class 2 as apart from other entries, to be eligible for awards in that class.

(This entry blank may be clipped, filled out by persons wishing to enter contest and left at Democrat-Capitol office.)

Society And Clubs

A program in keeping with the Christmas season will be heard Wednesday at the meeting of the Helen G. Steele Music Club.

The chairman for the day, Miss Bernice Wood has announced that the quotation "Closer to Our Hearts Be the Christmas Spirit," Dickens, is the inspiration for the program, which will be based on the first 11 verses of the second chapter of the Gospel of St. Matthew. These verses read at intervals and enriched by poems and readings collected and read by Mrs. C. D. Demand will be further described in song by a chorus composed of the following: Mesdames A. H. Bratten, Forrest Drake, M. O. Stevens, Oscar De Wolf, George Anderson, Guy Johnson, Herbert Schrankler and

Elbert Shores. Mrs. A. H. Bratten and Mrs. M. O. Stevens are soloists for the day.

Mrs. J. M. Rodeman, Mrs. Glenn Moser and Mrs. W. I. Thomas will give added interest in violin and piano numbers.

Piano duos, "In Wings of Song," Mendelssohn - Liszt; "Plaisir d'Amour," Guivanni Martini—Mrs. W. I. Thomas and Mrs. Glenn Moser.

"The Birth and Growth of the Christmas Carol"—Miss Bernice Wood.

"Silent Night," piano and violin—Mrs. Moser, Mrs. J. M. Rodeman.

Scripture, Matthew 2:1-6—Mrs. C. D. Demand, reader.

Song by chorus, "Now Dies In

David's City," Swire.

Poem, "Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem," (violin and piano).

"O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Song by chorus, "Angels We Have Heard on High," Chadwick.

Matthew 2:7-8.

Solo, "All That Wondrous Christmas Night"—Mrs. M. O. Stevens. Violin obligato, Mrs. Rodeman.

Poem, "The Search."

Matthew 2:9-11.

Song by chorus, "Sleep Holy Babe," Schloeder.

Reading, "Throughout All Time."

Song by chorus, "The Star of Joy," Englert Carol.

Solo, "Though Poor Be The Chamber," Gounod—Mrs. A. H. Bratten.

Reading, "Let Us Keep Christmas."

The P.E.O. will have a 1 o'clock luncheon Wednesday, December 18, at the home of Mrs. D. P. Dyer, 524 South Grand avenue. The meeting will follow the luncheon.

The Mozart Music club met at the home of their teacher, Mrs. Jewell Harter Thomas Monday evening for their Christmas recital and party. The home was decorated with a large Christmas tree and on a platform under the tree was an old time Christmas scene at one side of the platform and on the other was a modern Christmas scene. There were a number of wreaths and bells which added very much to the decorations. After a short business meeting the following program was given:

Barbara Meier, "Dashing Through the Snow," Butler.

Elva Huddleson, "Christmas Song," Jean Navarro.

Violet Marie Richardson, "Yuletide Melody," Fordell.

Beryl Leigh Evans, "Christmas Dream," Deisterhorst.

Paula Pressler, "Jingle Bells," Deisterhorst.

Ruth Ann Keuper, "Chimes at Christmas," Greenwald.

Mary Ann Hildebrandt, "Christmas Cheer," Deisterhorst.

Billy Evans, "Yuletide Melodies," Ryder.

Gene Wells, "O Sanctissima," Jan Navarro.

Dorothy Ann Garrett, "Christmas Tidings," Gordell.

Duett, "Christmas Holiday," Dorothy Ann Garrett, Gene Wells.

The children exchanged gifts and refreshments were served by Mrs. Thomas.

Church Events

The Arnold Circle will have a Christmas party Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Hugh Marshall, 648 East Broadway. The gift exchange of the mystery friends will be held at this time.

The Merriopathy class of the Fifth Street Methodist church will have their Christmas party at the church tonight.

The Loyd Sunday School class of the Epworth Methodist church of which Mrs. W. G. Martin is teacher will have their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. H. Mod-

Program Chairman



Miss Bernice Wood, chairman of the program that will be presented Wednesday at the Christmas meeting of the Helen G. Steele Music Club at the Heard Memorial Club House.

lin, 1530 East Sixth street on Wednesday night at 7:30 instead of Thursday night as originally planned. Members are asked to bring a gift for each member of the family who will attend.

The T. E. L. class of the East Sedalia Baptist church will have its Christmas party in an all day session at the church on Thursday, December 19. Each member is asked to bring something in the line of staple groceries to be utilized in filling Christmas baskets for the needy. Discarded toys in good condition are also asked for.

Circle No. 4 of the First Christian church will meet with Mrs. Opal Snell, leader, at the Snell home, 922 West Third street, at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Circle 5 will meet with Mrs. J. W. Leftwich, leader, at the home of Mrs. J. F. Hill, 1603 South Montevue, at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Buy Coat Lady Decies Desired

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Paris' celebrated salon in Paris was crowded, and among those fingering the stylish coats and wraps was Lady Decies, American born peeress.

Suddenly, a well upholstered man strode in, eyed a coat in Lady Decies' hands—she was just about to buy it—and said:

"I'll take that coat for my wife."

"I didn't argue with him," the former Elizabeth Wharton Drexel of Philadelphia explained last night after her arrival on the American export liner Excalibur.

"He was Reich Marshal Hermann Goering."

"It was a nice coat, too," she sighed. "Beige with a fur collar."

Red Cross Aids Ones In Training

The Pettis County Red Cross office already has one call for information for a soldier now in camp at Fort Jackson, S. C., receiving a year's defense training. This is part of a new duty performed by the Red Cross.

There is a field director at each of the army camps and when aid is needed by one of the men he speaks to his commanding officer who, in turn, goes to the Red Cross field representative, who communicates with the local office.

Local secretaries make an investigation. Mrs. Robert Spencer is the secretary of the Pettis County chapter.

New Arrival Named

Judith Ann is the name bestowed on the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eakins, of 407 North Quincy avenue. The child was born at the Bothwell hospital on Friday, December 13.

'The Hunchback' Trails Heroine



At the Liberty Today, Wednesday and Thursday

Enraptured by her beauty, the King's High Justice commands the pitiable hunchback to bring him the gypsy dancer who had entertained at the Feast of Fools. The pursuit of the gypsy through the streets of fifteenth century Paris is one of the many exciting sequences in "The Hunchback of Notre Dace, RKO Radio's thrill-filled spectacle starring Charles Laughton and featuring Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Maureen O'Hara.

Plan Further On Children's Yule Parties

Reports Are Given At Enthusiastic Committee Meeting

There was an enthusiastic meeting of the Christmas Stocking party committee at the Chamber of Commerce Monday night. George Trader, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and finance chairman of the Christmas Stocking committee presided until the arrival of Mayor J. H. Bagby, general chairman, who was late because of a council meeting he attended first.

Mr. Trader in reporting on the finances said that there is now \$144.75 cash in the fund, donated by numerous persons, and 1,250 filled stockings, presented by the Missouri Pacific, through G. T. Callender. It is estimated there will be at least 1,500 children at the parties, the day before Christmas, and approximately \$150 more in cash is needed. Donations may be left at the Chamber of Commerce or the Sedalia Democrat-Capital.

L. L. Studer showed samples of stockings, one of which was selected. It will contain about twice as much candy and nuts as the one given the children last year.

I. H. Reed, chairman of the program committee, reported that plans are going forward for the program, which will be announced soon.

The chairman of transportation, J. L. Curry, asked for more men, volunteers to help transport children to and from the park.

Mrs. A. A. Ferguson, chairman of the decoration committee, will also welcome any decorations that will add to the occasion.

Children are already asking for and securing tickets, according to Miss Roseanne Dugan, chairman of attendance, who stated the children wanted to be sure they would have their tickets.

Tickets were donated by the Acme Printing Co.

Violet Camp Elects Officers

Royal Neighbors of America, Violet Camp No. 607, met at the Woodman-Maccabee hall Friday night with a large attendance and preceding the meeting a Christmas party with exchange of gifts was held. After the business had been transacted election of officers was held with following results:

Oracle Mrs. Bessie Nicholas.

Vice Oracle, Mrs. Minnie Burger.

Recorder, Mrs. Clara Twyman.

Receiver, Mrs. Gehlken.

Past Oracle, Mrs. Ream.

Chancellor, Mrs. Laura Chambers.

Marshal, Mrs. Lula Terrell.

Manager, Mrs. Emelia Janes, 3 years.

Manager, Mrs. Olsen, 2 years.

The appointed officers are to be named later. The next meeting will be held on December 27.

Medics Entertained By Legerdemain

Dr. T. S. Blakesley, of Kansas City, entertained the Pettis County Medical Society and their lady guests with a legerdemain exhibition after a dinner meeting in the Ambassador room of the Bothwell hotel Monday night at 6:30 o'clock.

All doctor's wives and nurses at the Bothwell hospital were invited to the dinner, which was not a business meeting of the group. Dr. Blakesley, an eye specialist, is an amateur magician and a practicing physician in Kansas City.

E. N. Kauffman Improves

E. N. Kauffman, who has been ill for the past week, is some improved and able to be up a part of each day.

Recently Married



Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goff, who were married at the Full Gospel church, at 9 o'clock in the evening, November 30, by the Rev. Gerald Vrieselaar. They are residing on a farm eighteen miles northeast of Sedalia.

Pioneer Woman Dies Monday

VERSAILLES, Mo., Dec. 16.—Mrs. Matilda Livingston, born near Versailles on November 24, 1848, died at the age of 92 Monday morning at 11 o'clock. She was the oldest living native woman in the community of Versailles.

She died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. Wray Witten. She was the daughter of George and Mary Picken and in 1867 she married J. W. Livingston who died 29 years ago. They had seven children, two of whom are living.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Wray Witten, a son, George T. Livingston, of Kansas City, and a grandson, Livingston Witten of Dallas, Tex.

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4—Leave Sedalia for Tipton, Jefferson City—11:05 A. M., 2:30 A. M., 3:05 P. M., 6:00 P. M.

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Production For Defense Rated As Most Pressing

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some quarters that some important action might be forthcoming. "Something usually does happen when he comes back here," Secretary of Commerce Jones pointed out in explaining recently that decision on financial help to Britain could not be reached because "the administration is away."

Since armament aid to Britain depends on the speed of domestic defense production, the expectation was that this field of assistance would receive executive attention before the matter of financial aid.

Financial Aid Sought

The fact that Britain had made a formal request for financial aid was disclosed last night by an authoritative source. Few details were available on the nature of the request.

The request was understood to look toward assurances of future financial help in obtaining war supplies here. The British, it was indicated, seek a "line of credit," probably involving their security holdings and gold assets, rather than a straight loan. The word "loan" was not accurate for the request, official sources said.

Knudsen, defense commission production chief who has been dining the need for speed-up in recent utterances, reiterated in letters made public that a faster around-the-clock pace was "desperately needed" for "the welfare of our country."

Advocates Six Day Week

Senator Austin of Vermont, acting Republican leader, followed up Knudsen's comments today by advocating a readjustment of government contracts to finance a 6-day week for defense industries.

A consistent supporter of the British aid policy, Austin told newsmen it seemed obvious that industries would have to work longer than the prevailing 40-hour week if they were to overcome certain "bottlenecks" hampering defense production.

"As a citizen and taxpayer," he said, "I stand ready to pay for it. Labor ought to get time and a half for overtime and the government ought to modify its contracts—if that is necessary—to permit contractors to pay it and still make a reasonable profit."

Suggestions that President Roosevelt proclaim a complete national emergency found no favor with Austin or Senator Taft (R-Ohio) as a means of accelerating production.

Austin said he thought installation of the 6-day week, if coupled with what he called some relaxation of government regulations on industry, would accomplish the desired result.

Taft said if the president needed any specific new powers in the defense field, they should be granted. Pointing out that a "limited" emergency had been in effect more than a year, he asserted that increasing it to a "full" emergency "wouldn't mean anything."

Senator McCarran (D-Nev.) spoke against a full emergency for different reasons, saying its proclamation would be "an emphatic, definite step leading this country to war."

Members of the Pennsylvania delegation in Congress meanwhile received a request from the American Legion in their state for a congressional investigation of the "lag," "slow-down," and "necessity of industrial conflict" in defense preparations.

Wide Open Debate

In and out of Congress discussion of the latter question was assuming the proportions of a wide-open debate.

President William Green of the AFL in a speech last night rejected any charges that his organization had not been co-operating to the fullest, "giving service, patriotic service of the highest order, industrial service the like of which this country has never before seen."

Although defending the right to strike and announcing unyielding federation opposition to any emergency effort to outlaw defense industry strikes, Green said his organization felt "a solemn duty" to avoid such walkouts, and would abide by that belief.

Chairman Sumners (D-Tex.) of the House Judiciary committee, voicing his views on the floor yesterday, appealed for a united people "to win through the difficulties which now confront us."

"In this controversy between what we call labor and capital," he said, "unfortunately each one is trying to take advantage of the situation. I do not mean the whole rank and file of them. If this country does not win through, there will not be any social gains for labor to fight over and no pride of property for the owners of factories to fight over."

The House also heard Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich.) attack Sidney Hillman, the defense commission's labor specialist.

Hoffman charged that Hillman considered it "more important that the demand of labor be met than it is that we have national defense."

the \$11,000,000 TNT plant at Well-don Springs.

The war department, he said, had rescinded an order that the 5,000 men required were to be hired solely on the basis of ability without regard to union affiliation.

Work is to start shortly after Christmas on the 300 buildings to be erected on the 20,000-acre tract.

British Desert Forces Press On Libyan Port

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and new British forces are arriving in the area to support those which captured Fort Capuzzo, giving the British their first foothold on Italian colonial soil, a general headquarters communiqué reported today.

The communiqué also said that two additional Italian forts had been captured in Libya—Musaid Sidi Omar and Shefferzan—and that offensive patrolling "on a considerable scale" also had been renewed on the Kenya frontier in East Africa.

The two forts are just at the frontier south of Bardia.

The communiqué said Australian troops battled an Italian column by moonlight last night and captured trucks and a gun.

Fascists Out of Egypt

BY EDWARD KENNEDY

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES AT SALUM, Egypt, Dec. 16—(Delayed)—(P)—British armored units were sweeping over the desert west of Bardia today in an attempt to encircle that important Italian base in Libya following the capture of Salum and Fort Capuzzo.

The last remnants of the Italian army have been driven from Egyptian soil. Under heavy British fire the Italians abandoned into Egypt, and retired across the Salum, seized early in their drive from Italy, five miles to the west.

British troops promptly occupied this westernmost Egyptian port. Then they continued to carry the fight to the Italians, moving across the border to seize Fort Capuzzo, south of Bardia.

The Italians are reported to have large forces at Bardia, on the coast 15 miles from the border, including troops which have retreated from Egypt, and apparently are striving to make a determined stand there.

In the opinion of British officials how long they can hold out will depend largely on whether Italian troops could be rallied after the Egyptian rout.

Bardia Is Bombed

Bardia already has been bombed heavily from the sea and air. British armored units west of the town reported that they had destroyed Italian trucks, tractors and tanks, but that it was uncertain yet whether they had wholly cut off communications between Bardia and Tobruk, farther west.

These armored units were subjected to dive-bombing attacks by Italian planes.

Italian General Berdi is in command at Bardia and General Bergonzoli, whom the British have dubbed "General Electric Whiskers," also was reported there, issuing exhortations to the Fascist troops. General Bergonzoli is said to be popular with his men and is known for his ability to rouse them with stirring words.

In their advance toward Libya, British columns moved along a splendid road the Italians built from the Libyan frontier to Sidi Barrani during their three months of occupation of the region.

The Italians named it Via Vittoria—Victory Way—and over it they had hoped to march into all of Egypt. They erected along it several monuments to Mussolini and the triumph of their occupation.

A marker at Sidi Barrani, where the new road joins the road to Alexandria, bears the inscription: "Despite sand and winds and the insidiousness of the enemy, this road linking the sands of Egypt with those of Libya has been constructed."

The road is straight and wide and has an excellent bed of crushed stones, but the Italians did not get around to the top surface. With a top surface it probably would be the best highway ever constructed over any desert—a truly Roman road.

Busy Schedule For Guardsmen

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17—(P)—If the soldiers of the 35th division—National Guardsmen from Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska—aren't toughened up after a year at Camp Robinson, Ark., it won't be their officers' fault.

The officers were busy at division staff headquarters today mapping out a schedule that ought to keep the guardsmen on the move.

For the first two weeks, the guardsmen will be putting up tents and getting the grounds in shape an dthen for the next 13 weeks they will undergo basic training. They will take up advanced tactical work for 12 weeks.

Midsummer will signal the start of the 7th corps and 2nd army maneuvers.

"The scale of these maneuvers will be far greater than anything the national guard ever has undertaken in the past," Lieut. Col. Ross Diehl, St. Joseph, Mo., assistant chief of staff of G-2, military intelligence said.

Early in the fall the 35th will return to its base camp for review and final polishing.

Pétain And Nazis Confer About France

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which recognizes the principle of German victory or not."

These sources said Germany was not interested in who supplanted Foreign Minister Pierre Laval, "but whether any change in French policy has taken place."

Until Otto Abetz, Adolf Hitler's ambassador to Paris, reports from Vichy no information will be divulged concerning Germany's official attitude toward the French upheaval, they said.

"We are continuing our efforts to fathom the motives which led the French government while still in a state of war supplanted by an armistice with us, to bring about a change in that post which for the purposes of French-German relations is the most important in the French cabinet, namely that of foreign minister."

When asked whether French Chief of State Philippe Pétain, in his recent message to Hitler, had explained the motives behind Pierre-Etienne Flandin's appointment to succeed Laval, these sources said:

"Apparently not."

They further intimated that since the meeting between Hitler and Pétain at Tours—where, it was said, mere principles had been discussed—there had been no concrete agreement on details of relations between Vichy and Berlin.

"German interest in Vichy developments is naturally extraordinarily great," they added.

Recapitulating French-German relations since the defeat of France, which they described as the most complete in modern history—the authorized sources said Germany wanted a new Europe in which France would have an appropriate place provided only that she undertook certain corrections in her historic attitude, notably that of enmity toward Germany.

France, these sources said, apparently was animated by the same desire: both countries wanted a new Europe of French-German co-operation.

Laval To Vichy

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 17—(P)—Pierre Laval, a virtual prisoner of the French government since his expulsion from Chief of State Marshal Pétain's cabinet, was taken to Vichy today at the personal request of German Ambassador Otto Abetz.

Laval, ousted vice-premier and foreign minister of the Vichy government, lunched with Abetz and Pétain.

It was the first time he had been taken in Vichy since he was taken away under heavy guard last Friday night.

Rumors immediately spread that the Germans want Laval back in his job, but reports reaching diplomatic quarters here said it was more likely that Abetz merely wanted to hear Laval's side of the story before making any report to Hitler.

Anxiety Is Aroused

BERN, Switzerland, Dec. 17—(P)—At the behest of Reichsführer Hitler's representative, German ambassador, Otto Abetz, Pierre Laval reappeared suddenly in Vichy today for a lunch talk with Abetz and Chief of State Philippe Pétain.

It was the first time the ousted vice premier and foreign minister had been seen in Vichy since he was expelled from the French cabinet Friday night and led away under guard.

His reappearance increased the anxiety of many Vichy French officials whose usual tranquility in the face of government upheavals had been upset by Abetz' own dramatic arrival yesterday with a picked Nazi guard and a German delegation.

Total German occupation of France, some observers said, may be foreshadowed in the Abetz visit—the first to Vichy of any ranking Nazi official since the armistice.

Rumors spread that the Germans want Laval, once the old marshal's own choice as his successor, back in his job. But reports reaching diplomatic quarters here said it was more likely that Abetz merely wished to hear Laval's side of the story before making any report to Hitler.

Pétain, according to his aides and those who saw him, remained cool, however, in his talks with Germany's freckled, smiling ambassador, these reports said.

The chief of Pétain's personal office drove out of Vichy early this morning and returned just before noon with Laval seated beside him in an automobile.

As the Pétain-Abetz conversation shifted from the chief of state's office to a private dining room in the Hotel Du Paro, with Laval as third conferee, it was reported that a Pétain-Hitler meeting might follow if the Führer's representative and Pétain agreed on a future policy of German-French collaboration.

If they don't—according to Vichy rumors—anything might happen.

Dies In Highway Accident

FORREST CITY, Ark., Dec. 17—(P)—Mrs. J. D. Green, 40 of Greenup, Ill., was killed today when the automobile in which she and her husband were en route to Galveston, Tex., and a truck collided on U. S. highway 67, eight miles east of here.

Green sustained scalp wounds and a hip injury. The truck driver was uninjured.

S-C Tigers And Faculty Play Tonight

Faculty One Up On Tigers In Three Years' Competition

The Smith-Cotton high school Tigers will meet the Faculty cage team on the high school court at 8 o'clock tonight. It will be the first game of the season for the Tigers.

The faculty team is composed of members of the Smith-Cotton faculty and teachers in the grade schools in Sedalia. The team players have all had basketball experience, having either starred on the high school team or in college.

Forwards on the "Teachers club" are Shores and Masterson; Alley will play center; Steiner and Benson will take over the guard duties. Several others who are "substitutes" will probably get in for a few minutes action.

Starting lineup for the Tigers will be Thompson and Michaelis forwards; Switzer at center; Starke and Logan or Gardner at guard. Several other Tigers showing up well in practice sessions are expected to get a taste of basketball in the first game.

Up until tonight the Faculty team has a record of two wins and one loss over the school team while the Tigers hope to even matters up this evening, placing the standing two and two.

The Tigers will play the Clinton high school quintet on Thursday night at Clinton. This will be the first high school game for the local aggregation.

January 10 will see the opening of the Central Missouri conference for the Tigers when they meet the Missouri Military Academy team from Mexico, Mo., on the local court.

Twelve Dead; Boy Missing, In Explosion

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oxygen-crew fed him life-giving gas, others worked to free him. For two hours, his courage never flagged, rescue-workers said.

Shearwood said: "Koebe went to his appliance shop early, maybe an hour or so before the explosion. He was the only one awake in the building so far as we know. Apparently he is the only one who knew how it all started."

"Gas may or may not have been the cause. Who knows at this time?"

Minor fires broke out but were quickly smothered by clouds of dust or checked by firemen using every available piece of apparatus.

"It came as a terrific 'whoosh,'" reported Patrolman Tom Kaufman who was walking his beat two squares away at the time. "Then it seemed as if all hell broke loose."

Only a pile of brick and dust remained of the twin-apartment building, housing four families. Windows were shattered for blocks around. Pieces of clothing hung grotesquely from utility wires. One pair of men's trousers was "pegged" securely to a wall by a chair-leg.

Plunged To Basement

Mrs. Roy said: "We live on the third floor. Before we knew it, we were in the basement. How we got there I don't know. They got me out from under a bed."

Goebe operated a general appliance store on the first floor of the shattered building, located at Elder and Pleasant streets in the northern end of Cincinnati's downtown section. There were apartment entrances on each street.

Koebe's body was found in basement wreckage. He was identified through cards and pictures on his person.

The body was recovered with difficulty, because of cave-ins of wreckage.

The injured included Raymond Roy, 36, his wife Bessie, 36, and their four children, Lawrence, 13; Robert, 11; Patsy, 2, and Donald Lee, 9, and Virginia Schletzer, 5, and her sister, Lillian, 15.

Safety Patrolman Henry White, who was passing the scene in his police cruiser when the blast occurred, said:

"It almost blew the car off the street."

White said the explosion "pancaked" the roof onto the ruins.

Five Perish In Flames

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 17—(P)—Five persons perished today in flames which destroyed a two-family home at nearby Mineral Point.

The victims, trapped on the second floor of the seven-room frame structure, were: Mrs. Ethel Marie Bartlebaugh, 24, wife of John Bartlebaugh; their two children, Myrtle Marie, 4 and John, two months; and two nieces, Ruth Pearl Bartlebaugh, 12, and Betty Jane Bartlebaugh, 5, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bartlebaugh.

John Bartlebaugh escaped by leaping from a second floor window. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bartlebaugh and a boarder, John Schriber, climbed down from a porch roof. They attempted to rescue the others but were beaten back by the flames.

Attack Supply Base Of Italy

ATHENS, Dec. 17—(P)—A violent RAF attack on Durazzo, Italy's biggest supply base in Albania, was reported today as twin

Greek drives were said to be converging on the last mountain defense line guarding the port of Valona on the Adriatic sea.

The Greeks said a series of seven violent counter attacks by crack Italian reserves had failed to halt the tortuous advance over the snow covered mountain ranges.

Fighting today over all fronts was reported mostly of a local nature as a result of the continuing cold which made large scale operations almost impossible.

The only intense actions appeared to be taking place north of Argirocastro in the region of Tepelini and Kilsura. These operations, developing for more than a week, were described as progressing satisfactorily.

In the region beyond Pogradet, new Greek gains also were reported, an unidentified height and mountain village were said to have been taken this morning against heavy Italian resistance.

Both artillery and infantry moved from hill to hill in the snow-covered mountains and one report said an entire Italian company was destroyed when Greek artillery fired into its ranks as the men were eating breakfast.

RAF Raiders Kill Ten By Bombs

BERLIN, Dec. 17—(P)—British air raiders killed 10 persons, injured 50 and inflicted damage with fire and explosive bombs in attacks on western and southwestern Germany last night while Nazi bombers heavily blasted two unnamed "important" cities in the British midlands, the Germans reported today.

The high command said Mannheim, inland port on the Rhine, and another undisclosed town in Mannheim a castle and a hospital were among the buildings damaged and at the other place a hospital and two factories were hit.

The official account said, however, the production decline in the factories "is immaterial."

Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, addressing workers of the Big Blohm and Voss shipyards at Hamburg, lauded their discipline "despite many nocturnal air alarms" and told them their forging of Germany's sea armor gave the best proof of the failure of the British night raiders to disturb Hamburg's war production even at a single point.

Attack On Vessels

LONDON, Dec. 17—(P)—British bombers attacked an aircraft factory, a dye plant and other targets in the Mannheim area of Germany, the Nazi submarine base at Bordeaux, France, and six merchantmen off the French coast in a broad series of raids last night, the air ministry announced today.

A communiqué said that Mannheim, "the chief industrial center of the upper Rhine," was subjected to a sustained seven hour assault. Four British planes failed to return.

Dismiss Couple Of Indictments

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17—(P)—Two federal indictments charging conspiracy to divert PWA funds from the \$17,000,000 state penal and hospital rehabilitation program were dismissed by Judge Albert L. Reeves in sustaining demurrers.

The judge termed the indictments "insufficient and faulty."

The first, specifically alleging conspiracy to divert federal funds from the building program, named as defendants Charles A. Haskins, Kansas City, a chief engineer for the Missouri bi-partisan advisory board; William D. Weidlein, former Kansas City engineer, now of St. Paul; Lee Riley, Jr., of Kansas City; Joseph B. Ryan, of Kansas City, and Eugene S. Klein of St. Louis.

The second, charging the defendants conspired to defraud the government in work done on the Industrial Home for Girls at Chillicothe, named Haskins and Klein, Benjamin F. Cook, of Kansas City, assistant mechanical engineer for the board; George E. McIntire of Kansas City, assistant chief engineer and E. C. Childers, Jefferson City.

Indifferent Trend To Stocks Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 17—(AP)—The stock market engine continued to sputter aimlessly today.

Slightly lower prices were in the majority during the greater part of the proceedings but weakness was a rarity. An assortment of small gains was in evidence at the close and numerous issues finished at their final quotations of Monday.

Dealings, on the whole, were as indifferent as trends. Transfers were around 700,000 shares.

Among influences promoting trading conservatism were: Announcement of the British they could make no more commitments for the purchase of war materials in the United States unless financial aid was extended; Lord Beaverbrook's warning the Nazis were preparing to invade England before spring; expectations of some drastic step being taken by the administration at Washington to break the home rearmament log jam; further year-end tax selling, and persistent apprehension over what the tax bill may mean to stockholders next year.

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John W. Menefee Files Answer To Election Contest

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clint 2, alleging they were residents of Sedalia and not entitled to vote in the Heaths Creek township.

Mrs. Elizabeth Settles, who voted in Elk Fork precinct, alleging she prepared her ballot at her home, which was delivered and received by the judges, and counted against conteste.

William Schrader, who voted an absentee ballot in the office of the county clerk of Pettis county, alleging that he failed to comply with the law with reference to casting an absentee ballot and failed to sign the required affidavit.

Mrs. A. A. Weaver, who voted an absentee ballot, alleging she was not a qualified and registered voter in Sedalia.

Mrs. Jane Glasscock, who voted at Lamonte, precinct 2, alleging she had not been a resident of the state for one year prior to the election.

Robert Hodges, Steve Gravitt, Herman Arnold, Charles Whitley and Ernest Turner, alleging that all had been convicted of criminal offenses which deprived them of their right to vote.

The contestee further alleges that D. B. Hanley, Alfa Ream and C. T. Sharon were qualified voters voting absentee ballots, but their ballots were not counted, but were illegally and wrongfully cast out, and that they were in favor of Mr. Menefee.

Grants To Aged Will Be Late

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 17—(P)—The Social Security Commission reminded the 200,000 persons receiving state aid today that next month's grants will be "several days" late.

The delay, Commission Chairman John T. Harding explained, will be in waiting for the General Assembly to provide new appropriations.

"It is unfortunate," he said, "but under the circumstances it is unavoidable. I hope the delay will be very short."

The legislature will convene January 8—more than a week after the old age assistance and direct relief payments are due and only two days before the usual date for aid to dependent children to be distributed.

The assembly customarily rushes through emergency resolutions authorizing the Social Security Commission and other state departments to spend up to a specified amount each month until the regular appropriation bills are passed late in the session.

After that, however, the old age and ADC payments still must wait for release of matching federal funds, Harding explained.

The Social Security Commission exhausted its 1939-40 appropriations with December's payments to the needy—but even if any funds remained they could not be used in January because appropriations expire with the end of the biennium December 31.

This month the commission paid \$1,619,994 to 108,349 old age pensioners, \$310,892 to 30,391 dependent children, and \$314,631 to 80,190 direct relief recipients—a total of \$2,065,517 to 218,930 persons.

Parole To Life Termer

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 17—(P)—Gov. Lloyd C. Stark today signed a parole for James P. Jones of St. Louis, who was sentenced to life imprisonment December 17, 1935.

Closing of Leading Stocks

	Close	Mon.	Tues.
American & For. Power	1.1	1	1
American Smelt & Ref.	.44	43	43
American Tel. and Tel.	.166	166	166
American Tobacco "B"	.69	69	69
Anaconda Copper	.26	26	26
Atchafalaya T. & S. E.	.17	17	17
Atlas Pow.	.70	70	70
Aviation Corp.	.4	4	4
Bethlehem Steel	.87	87	87
Chrysler	.75	75	75
Cola Cola	.105	105	105
Curtis-Wright	.8	8	8
Curtis-Wright A	.28	28	28
Du Pont De Nem.	.164	164	164
Eastman Kodak	.134	134	134
General Electric	.33	33	33
General Motors	.50	50	50
Int. Harvester	.53	53	53
International Shoe	.29	29	29
Int. Tel. and Tel.	.24	24	24
Kennecott Copper	.35	35	35
Libby, McN. and Libby	.6	6	6
Legg. & Myers Tob.	.94	94	94
Loose-Wiles Biscuit	.14	14	14
Mid. Con. Pet.	.14	14	14
Missouri Kansas Texas	.3	3	3
Missouri Pacific	.3	3	3
Montgomery Ward	.37	37	37
Nash-Kelvinator	.4	4	4
National Cash Reg.	.13	13	13
North American	.16	16	16
Phillips Pet.	.40	40	40
Purity Baking	.10	10	10
Radio Corp. of America	.4	4	4
Sears-Roebuck	.77	77	77
Skelly Oil	.20	20	20
Standard Oil of Ind.	.25	25	25
Studebaker	.74	74	74
Swift and Co.	.21	21	21
U. S. Steel	.69	69	69
Westinghouse E. & Mfg.	.102	102	102

Few Leaders Upon the Curb

	Close	Mon.	Tues.
American Light and T.	.12	12	12
Arkansas Nat. Gas	.17	17	17
Arkansas Nat. Gas. A.	.17	17	17
Assoc. G. and El. A.	.116	116	116
Cities Service	.5	5	5
Cities Service, P.	.53	53	53
Eagle Pitch, Lead	.104	104	104
El Bond and Sh.	.37	37	37
Ford M. Can. A.	.10	10	10
Ford M. Can. A.	.10	10	10
Gulf Oil	.31	31	31
Nat. Bsl. Hess	.1	1	1
Southern Union Gas	.1	1	1
Standard Oil Ky.	.1	1	1

Sunshine Scatterers Class Has Party

The Sunshine Scatterers class of the Intermediate Department of the First Baptist Sunday school met at the home of one of the members of the class, Miss Betty Jo Evans, 213 West Sixth street, Monday night.

After a business session conducted by the class president, Miss Rose Marie Reed, games were played and gifts distributed to members of the class and their guests.

Those present were: Miss Ruth Schneek, teacher, Misses Rose Marie Reed, Maxine Leslie, Ena Mae Schumaker, Maurine Hughes, Mary Alice Evans, Gwendolyn Kearns, Dorothy Dean, Betty Jo Evans, Patsy Knight, Mildred Duncan, Josephine Lupton, Nina Jean Millstone, and Marjorie Kars.

Fighting Slows In Albania

By West Gallagher

WITH THE GREEK ARMY ON THE NORTHERN ALBANIAN FRONT, Dec. 17—(P)—Fighting on this front was at a virtual standstill today with soldiers on both sides showing the effects of three days of snow and falling temperature.

About three out of every four Italian prisoners are being treated for severe frostbite, a Greek army physician told me, and the Greek troops themselves are suffering from the cold.

The snow is adding to the difficulties of the Red Cross. The wounded and the frostbitten must be carried miles by hand stretchers through the wild mountains, then on pack mules to the nearest ambulance station. One doctor said there had been cases where it took days to get wounded men behind the lines to hospitals.

Personals

Marvin Crutcher, Jr., a student in Texas A. & M., college at College Station, Texas, is home for the holidays season.

Mrs. S. R. Payne, of Kansas City, Kas., a former Sedalian, will leave December 19 for Lake Worth, Fla., to visit her son, Arthur Payne.

Adult Education Classes Be In Joint Program

Thursday night, December 19, at 8 p.m., the adult classes and the Booker T. Washington public school of Georgetown will co-operate in a Christmas program at the Methodist church, (colored) of Georgetown. There will be an entertaining play by the Booker T. Washington pupils, a pageant, "O Holy Night" by the combined adult and public school pupils, and other numbers of Christmas appeal.

Mrs. Ruth Shepherd, is teacher of Booker T. Washington school. Mrs. E. A. Edmondson, T. C. Craddock, and A. G. Perkins are adult teachers, and Mrs. Florine Gannt, federal music teacher, is pianist.

Study of Constitution

Every Tuesday night, after 8:30 there is a very interesting discussion on phases of the constitution. The class is heartily gratified at the enthusiasm on the part of the participants, but feels that more should take advantage in the study of this document.

Tonight, the study begins with Article II. Classes are held at the Sanctified church, corner of Pettis and Missouri streets, under the direction of Adult Education teachers.

Mrs. White Has Daughter As Guest

Mrs. Alice White, of the Liberty Cafeteria, has as her guest, her daughter, Mrs. R. T. Powers, formerly of Fritch, Texas. She will remain until Christmas when she will be joined by Mr. Powers and her daughter, Miss Natalie Miller. Mr. Powers has received a very fine promotion with his company and they are moving to Chicago to live. Miss Miller comes to visit her grand-ther from Lincolnborg, Kansas, where she is a senior in the Fine Arts College of Bethany College. Mrs. White is also expecting her son, Jack Hale home to spend Christmas with her. He and Mrs. Hale will come from Houston, Texas.

• Obituaries

William S. Ellis

William S. Ellis, 81 years old, died at Kansas City, Mo., at 9:00 o'clock Monday night, following an illness of two months.

He was born near Clifton City, October 7, 1859 and spent his entire life in Cooper and Pettis county until about six weeks ago when he moved to Kansas City to reside.

He was married to Miss Lucy Conard of Newland, in 1883, who passed away eight years ago.

Mr. Ellis is survived by six sons, Clyde Ellis, McClellan, Ia.; Frank Ellis, Oakland, Ia.; J. G. Ellis and Isaac Ellis, Sedalia; Monroe Ellis and Roy Ellis, Kansas City, Mo.; one daughter, Mrs. Ora Potter, Clifton City, Mo.; one sister Mrs. Mollie Dillard of the state of California. Also surviving are twenty-two grandchildren. A son, Van P. Ellis, preceded him in death nine years ago.

Funeral services will be held at the Hopewell Baptist church at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon with the Rev. J. R. Sumners officiating. The following friends will serve as pallbearers, J. B. Greer, Byron McMullin, Louis Sowers, Oscar Mothersbaugh, Ellis Moore, Enoch Payne. Interment will be in the family lot in the Hopewell cemetery.

The body was brought to the Ewing Funeral home Monday night and will be taken to the home of J. G. Ellis, 1307 East Broadway this evening.

Harmon Hays

Harmon Hays, 27 years old, died at the Bothwell hospital at 5:30 o'clock Tuesday morning from injuries of a gunshot wound Saturday night.

He was born in Sedalia, November 12, 1913 the son of Robert W. and Bertha M. Hays. He has spent his entire life in Sedalia.

Surviving are his parents, one sister, Mrs. M. C. McDonald, Festus, Mo., one daughter, Sadie Ionia Mae Hays, and his grandmother, Mrs. Ida Bozarth, Clinton, Mo.

The body is at the Ewing Funeral home, where funeral services will be held at 2:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Funeral of Mrs. Miller

Funeral services for Mrs. Emma A. Miller, who passed away in Kansas City last Saturday, were held at the Evangelical and Reform church, Fourth street and Vermont avenue, at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. The Reverend Oscar J. Rumpf, pastor officiated.

Pall bearers were the following friends: Louis Bahrenburg, Frank Paulus, George Rippey, Gus Luchs, Roy Lierman and Henry Brimmer.

Burial was in the Crown Hill cemetery.

Mrs. White Has Daughter As Guest

Mrs. Alice White, of the Liberty Cafeteria, has as her guest, her daughter, Mrs. R. T. Powers, formerly of Fritch, Texas. She will remain until Christmas when she will be joined by Mr. Powers and her daughter, Miss Natalie Miller. Mr. Powers has received a very fine promotion with his company and they are moving to Chicago to live. Miss Miller comes to visit her grand-ther from Lincolnborg, Kansas, where she is a senior in the Fine Arts College of Bethany College. Mrs. White is also expecting her son, Jack Hale home to spend Christmas with her. He and Mrs. Hale will come from Houston, Texas.

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Louis Wins Over McCoy In Fight

Five Rounds Are Won By Brown Bomber
15,000 Crowd Sees Twelfth Defense Of Heavyweight Title

By SID FEDER
 BOSTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Joe Louis came back from his six months vacation to an easy job last night, but he wasn't the devastating Brown Bomber in disposing of Al McCoy, an overgrown downeast light heavyweight.

It took him five full rounds to cut down a fellow he outweighed by 21½ pounds and who had no more punch than grape juice in his fists. After taking a pummeling for 15 minutes, McCoy, his left eye closed and his ribs red from right hand shots, was unable to come up for the sixth heat. Commissioner George LaPlante ruled the bell had rung for the sixth round and that Louis was awarded a technical knock-out victory in that round.

Second Largest Crowd

The second largest crowd ever to turn out for a fight in the Boston garden enjoyed it thoroughly

while it lasted, but didn't like the finish even a little bit, and boomed the public address system announced, "McCoy's eye is in bad condition and he refuses to come out for the sixth round."

The attendance was announced as 13,334 customers, with a gross gate of \$46,980 and a net of \$44,845, of which Louis received between \$17,000 and \$18,000. The crowd was second in size for the Boston garden only to that for the Jim Maloney-Tom Heeney tussle some eleven years ago.

Layoff Tells On Joe
 Although still the most damaging puncher in any league, Joe showed the effects of the long layoff since he disposed of Arturo Godoy, the rugged Chilean, last June. His timing, particularly with his right hand, was off, and for some time he didn't seem to know just what to do about McCoy's circling-away tactics and half-crouching style. As a result, although he floored the Bostonian for no count with three crunching rights to the short ribs in the first heat, Louis failed to put him down once after that.

In addition, Joe took some "desperation" right hand pokes to the jaw.

Immediately after Louis polished off the 26-year-old New Englander tonight, New York promoter Mike Jacobs announced

that the champion and Billy Conn would fight it out next June in the looked for half-a-million dollar battle of the year.

This was Louis' first job of work since last June when he stopped the durable Chilean, Arturo Godoy, in eight rounds in New York. It was the 12th defense in his record reign as heavyweight boss since the night he took fistiana's richest bauble from gallant old Jim Braddock in Chicago in 1937.

As if he didn't have enough edge over the 26-year-old McCoy for this tussle, the weigh-in today showed his rival would be spotting Louis 21½ pounds tonight. The bomber tipped the beam at 202½ to 180½ for McCoy.

Thus, the Boston veteran, who has campaigned at one time or another in every fistic division from flyweight to heavy, was the littlest fellow Louis ever has taken on in a title defense.

J. Edward Bradley of Somerville, Mass., was announced as the referee. The judges were John J. Shaughnessy and E. F. Rooney.

Waxers Lose to Stover 26-24 In Close Game

Scott, The Leading Scorer, In Game Full Of Thrills

In their first Central Missouri Independent League game, the Van Brite Waxers, Monday night lost a thriller to the Skelly Oilers of Stover 26-24. The Waxers led through the entire game until the last 30 seconds when Blackman threw in a side shot to put Stover in the lead 25-24 and Kirchner was fouled and dropped a free throw to put the game on ice.

Scott of Stover was the leading scorer of the evening with 11 points and was a thorn in the Waxers side all night, while Captain "Bunny" Taylor led the Waxers with 10 points. Blaine, highly touted Waxer forward had an "off" night and was unable to make but two field goals.

Wednesday, the Waxers go to Warsaw to meet the Warsaw Merchants, who are reported to have a strong aggregation this year.

The box score:

Waxers	FG	FT	F
Taylor, f	5	0	1
Berry, f	0	0	0
Blaine, f	2	0	0
Light, c	3	1	1
J. Van Dyne, c	0	1	0
Shores, g	1	0	1
D. Van Dyne, g	0	0	3
Carver, g	0	0	1
Total	11	2	7
Stover	FG	FT	F
Allison, f	0	0	0
Hichen, f	0	0	0
D. Warneke, f	0	0	0
Blackman, f	3	0	0
Scott, c	5	1	0
D. Warneke, g	0	0	0
M. Warneke, g	2	0	0
Eichoff, g	0	0	0
Kirchner, g	2	1	1
Total	12	2	1

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Joe Dimaggio With .352 Tops League Hitters

Appling, White Sox, Second With .348; Williams, Boston 3rd

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Baseball fans have known since the season's close that Jolting Joe Dimaggio of the New York Yankees won the 1940 American League batting championship—but the official circuit hitting averages released today, provide some interesting data on how the big outfielder won his second straight hitting title.

He took the championship with an average of .352 in 132 games after a fine September performance which saw him pass both Rip Radcliff of St. Louis, who had led the lead most of the season, and Luke Appling, the Chicago White Sox shortstop. Appling fell short by finishing with a mark of .348, good for second place, while Ted Williams of Boston slipped in ahead of Radcliff with a mark of .344 to Radcliff's .342.

Dimaggio, hitting brilliantly in the late season when pitchers normally are the toughest, also had the longest hitting streak of the year for the league, going through 23 games without getting the bane of all batsmen, the "horsecollar."

Among Dimaggio's 179 hits for the year were 31 home runs, one more than his 1939 total. He also had a total base figure of 318 and made 28 doubles and nine triples. His batting mark, however, was 29 points under the brilliant .381 which gave him the 1939 batting crown.

Boston and the pennant winning Detroit Tigers tied for the club batting title at .286, with the Yankees at the bottom of the standings with a collective mark of .259. Two of Detroit's big guns were well up front in the individual race, Henry Greenberg and Barney McCosky each averaging .340 to tie for fifth place.

Greenberg, voted the league's most valuable player through a season in which he played the outfield after years at first base, took the honors for home runs, making 41. He also led in total bases with 384. Jimmy Foxx of Boston was second in homers, with 36, just three more than the third best home run hitter, Detroit's Rudy York.

Boston's Ted Williams, led in runs scored, 134. McCosky led in triples, getting 19, while another high was the 50 doubles knocked by Greenburg. Radcliff, McCosky and Roger Cramer, traded last week by Boston to Washington, each had the most hits, 200.

George Case, of Washington, again led in stolen bases, pilfering 35, with Mike Kreevich of Chicago making a leading total of 21 sacrifices.

Basketball On Monday Night

By The Associated Press
 Iowa 39, Indiana Teachers 37.
 Florida 38, Alabama 34.
 Rice 51, Southern California 37.
 DePaul 30, University of California at Los Angeles 23.
 Kirksville (Mo.) Osteopaths 48, William Penn (Pa.) 24.
 Southwest Louisiana Institute 34, Grinnell 33.
 Southwestern (Kas.) 53, Marshall 51.
 Missouri Mines 34, St. Louis 28.
 Creighton 57, Marquette 12.
 Drake 51, West Texas State 48.
 Kirksville (Mo.) Teachers 41, South Dakota State 30.
 Colorado 38, Oregon State 29.
 Stephen F. Austin 47, Southeastern Oklahoma Teachers 35.
 Illinois State Normal 32, Indiana Central 22.
 Maryville (Mo.) Teachers 43, Upper Iowa 12.

Fight Results Monday Night

By The Associated Press
 BOSTON—Joe Louis, 202½, heavyweight champion stopped Al McCoy, 180½, Boston (6); Holman Williams, 151½, Detroit, outpointed Frank Britt, 152, Fall River, Mass., (6); Bill Weinberg, 192, Boston, outpointed Tony Ferry, 192, Fall River (6).

New York—Johnny Flores, 158, Houston, Tex., outpointed Vince Fratello, 159, Hackensack, N. J., (8).

Newark, N. J.—Gus Lesnevich, 178, Cliffside, N. J., knocked out Jack Marshall, 184, Dallas, Tex., (4).

Chicago—Lem Franklin, 190, Cleveland, stopped Selman Martin, 208, Chicago (4).

New York—Al (Red) Moffett, 141, Devon, Conn., outpointed George Zengaras, 134½, New York (8).

Toronto—Jackie (Spider) Armstrong, 125½, Toronto, and Bobby (Poison) Ivy, 127, Hartford, Conn., drew (10).

Trenton, N. J.—Freddie (Red) Cochrane, 142, Elizabeth, N. J., knocked out Vince Delia, 132, Trenton (3); Minnie Demore, 131, Trenton, knocked out Lou Fortuna, 138, Philadelphia (2).

Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy in 'Bitter Sweet' now showing at The Fox theatre



Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy join their voices for the seventh time in "Bitter Sweet," to sing such Noel Coward songs as "I'll See You Again" and "If Love Were All." The new musical, filmed in Technicolor opens today at the Fox Theatre for three days. Others in the cast include George Sanders, Ian Hunter and Felix Bressart.

Coach And Five Assistants At Ohio State Quit

Head Mentor And Others Had Been 'Under Fire' There

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Ohio State university's athletic board hung a "Coaching Staff Wanted" sign today in front of the huge gray football stadium where 301,000 fans watched the Bucks play five games this year.

Resignations of head coach Francis A. Schmidt and his five assistants were accepted last night, clearing out the entire department which has been under fire because of the most disastrous season in 15 years, four victories and four losses.

Along with Schmidt, who had just finished his seventh year at the Buckeye helm, went Ernest R. Godfrey, line coach since 1929; Sidney Gillman, end coach; Fritz Mackey, freshman coach; Eddie Blinckle, backfield coach, and Gomer Jones, center coach. Mackey will be retained as baseball coach, while Blinckle stays on as

assistant basketball mentor. During his seven years here, Schmidt's team won 39 games, lost 16 and tied one. He won the Western Conference title in 1939, finished in a tie for the crown on another occasion, was fourth four times and sixth once.

The Buckeye "wolves" started howling as the Bucks wound up the 1940 campaign by dropping a 40 to 0 decision to Michigan, the worst defeat in 35 years for an Ohio squad. Interspersed with the usual squawks following a Michigan defeat were charges of dissension in the coaching ranks, friction between the coaches and players, and hints that the greatest possible results were not gained from the playing material at hand.

Athletic Director L. W. St. John said that "no reason for the resignations was offered by the coaching staff."

Schmidt, former Texas Christian mentor, said he had no plans for the future. He declared, how-

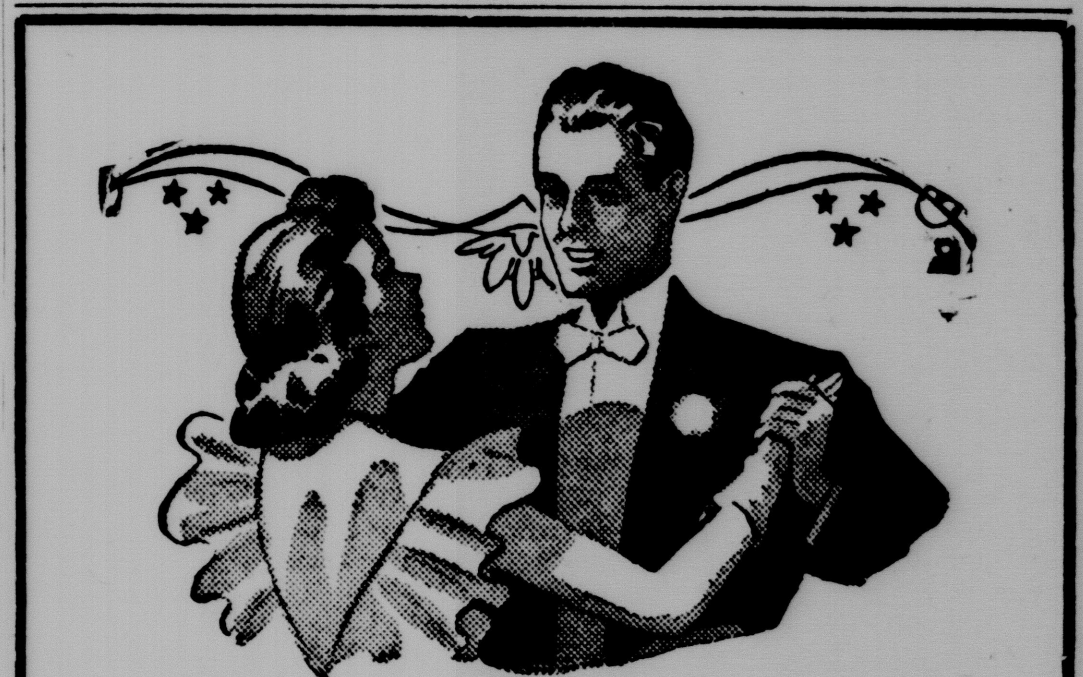
ever, that he thought he'd have an easier time lining up a good job than Ohio would in signing an outstanding football tutor.

Schmidt set the Western Conference agog when he came here in 1934 with his "razzle-dazzle" offense, rolling up huge scores over most of the Buckeye foes.

Waldorf Umpire For Rose Bowl

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 17.—(AP)—Missouri and Kansas will be represented among officials for the Rose Bowl football game between Nebraska and Stanford universities New Year's day.

The four officials announced by Edward N. Atherton, Pacific Coast conference athletic commissioner, are Louis G. (Dutch) Conlan, St. Mary's referee; John Waldorf, University of Missouri, umpire; Dwight Ream, Washburn (Kan.) field judge, and M. G. Bob Evans of James Millikin (Illinois) head linesman.



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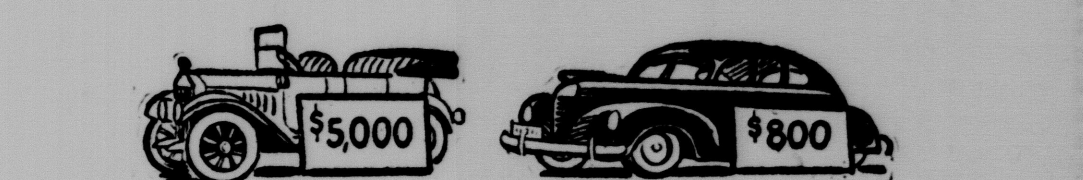
makes this newspaper and every other paper possible! Advertising pennies pay the salaries of reporters in Europe and Asia, the bill for newsprint paper and ink, the cost of wiring you the baseball scores, the market reports, the happenings in Washington and Des Moines and Seattle.

Except for those advertising pennies—which, you remember, saved you money on your grocery



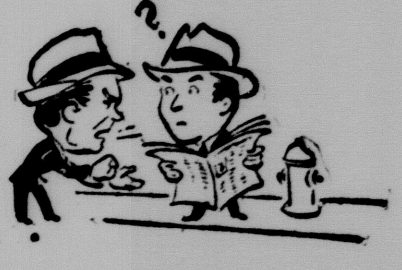
bill—this newspaper would cost you two or three or five times what you paid for it!

There's no "magic" about all this. It's just an American brand of penny pinching. A long time ago we learned that one automobile made by hand cost five or ten thousand dollars, whereas a million cars—if they were made and sold—cost only five hundred or so apiece.



Making and selling all the things we need is a sort of habit in America. A rather good habit, I feel.

But in all this thinking about helping you to get the most for your money, let's not forget about your very right to earn and spend and live in free America. You keep that right through your ability to pick the right men and pass the right kind of laws.



And, since you learn who to pick and what laws to approve through the newspapers, you can see how necessary it is to have good newspapers.

If you want to define a good newspaper, you can say it is one which is free to bring you all sides of every question, free to give you both the good and the bad news about what is going on around you.

Trying to decide how much such a newspaper is worth to you is like trying to put a price tag on your liberty! And I think you'll agree that our liberty and our right to govern ourselves is a big penny's worth in a 1940-model world.

NOTE: The purpose of these regular Tuesday institutional advertisements is to make American life and American business better. Your suggestions, criticisms or reactions will be appreciated by the Newspaper Publishers Committee and its chairman. Address the committee in care of the Business Office of this paper.

We've got orders from St. Nick

SANTA CLAUS wants us to be sure all the men folks in town get at least one Arrow gift. Here's a list to help you pick:

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Penny Pinching

By NORMAN CHANDLER
 Chairman, Newspaper Publishers Committee

LET'S say it costs your grocer \$25 to open his store each morning. With that he can pay his rent, his light bill, his clerk hire.

How your grocer gets that \$25 is important to you. If he has fifty customers today, he must find some way to make a profit of half a dollar from each. But if he can manage to find two hundred customers, he can break even if he makes only 12½ cents on each one.

This may seem like pretty simple arithmetic. However, there's an if in it. If he can find the extra customers. He could call them on the telephone—

at a cost of five cents per call. Or he could write them a penny post card or send them a letter. Some will respond, some won't.

Then he discovers a way to send a message to a hundred prospects for a single penny! He just buys a newspaper "ad" and tells you and all your neighbors about his plan to save you money, give you better values and better service.

Now the funny part about all this is that the penny per hundred he pays the newspaper is what

Serial Story

Dude College

By Oren Arnold

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WES MAKES A CATCH

CHAPTER XX

DURING the few days since they had discovered the significant cache in Rainbow Canyon, Wesley had barely mentioned it to Ronnie at all. In truth, he was gravely disturbed. He wondered if he should simply make light of it so as to prevent Ronnie Bailey from doing something foolhardy again.

"She is very impulsive," he told himself. "She went with Mr. Starr of the Border Patrol to arrest some Japanese and—"

Wes interrupted his thoughts, snapped his fingers.

"Gosh!" he breathed, aloud. He had been sitting at his office desk with a book on primitive Indian cultures before him, but he hadn't read much. Now, he forgot the book altogether.

Here was an array of assorted facts which suddenly had slipped a little closer together. Ronnie Bailey, daughter of an airplane manufacturer just moved to New Mexico. Five Japanese shooting at her not far from Rainbow Canyon, and being captured by the Federal Border Patrol. United States Army officers arriving to test a priceless new bomb sight on the isolated plains. Andre Girardeau seen coming from Lona Montoya's apartment, and Andre Girardeau apparently intimate with the Baileys and with the army officers as well. Lona Montoya seen meeting a strange man in Rainbow Canyon.

THE facts didn't quite add up, didn't dovetail. But they did alarm him. He realized that he alone knew all these facts, and this weighed heavily. Added information—most important of all, really—was that Ronnie Bailey had violet eyes, and hair that shone with the deep rich glint of youth and healthfulness, and an incomparably pretty smile. These latter phenomena, no doubt, could be claimed by other young women somewhere but Wesley had never encountered them, or at least had never been aware of them. But one was constantly aware of Ronnie Bailey even in one's most intimate thoughts!

He wondered if he should go at once and tell Ronnie what he

knew about Lona; that Lona and Andre Girardeau were friends. But no. No, that wouldn't do. He had merely seen Andre leaving the place. It might have been just a date. Any other implication was purely a matter of suspicion so far. Wes reminded himself. To tell Ronnie about it would be a spiteful act of a love rival.

Because he wanted to think these things out, Wes left the campus at 5 p.m., walked to the University stables, and took out his horse. He said he would ride for half an hour or so before supper time.

But he was less than a mile out Arroyo del Rey when the magnificence of sundown assailed him, so he dismounted and sat on a rocky point to enjoy the show. Suddenly, though, the stillness was broken by a sound of hoofs. He turned to look.

"Why—it's Lona!" he murmured.

HE expected her to see him and come by. Then he noted that he had unconsciously come out the Rainbow Canyon trail a ways before turning off here to dismount, and that Lona herself was riding down that trail as if with definite purpose. She did not look toward him. His own horse lifted his ears and head as if to whinny, and Wes quickly grabbed its nose.

"Whoa, boy, ho-o-o-o-o," he soothed the animal. In five minutes Lona was out of sight, winding among cacti and mesquite and yucca growths, over and around ground rises, and Wesley York was staring after her with a quizzical frown. "She had a pack and a pistol and a canteen," he told himself. "Hers will be more than a short ride. I—I wonder—"

All at once he mounted his own horse and swung down the trail to follow her. The thought of shadowing Lona Montoya or anybody else was somewhat distasteful, but Wesley consoled himself with reasoning that he was a faculty member with responsibilities, and that certain other definite suspicions were strong enough to justify his actions now.

He rode carefully to keep just out of sight, pausing often to listen and to walk ahead for brief reconnaissance. He wished that he had brought his own pack and canteen, but he had not anticipated a long desert ride. One thing on his saddle was the lariat rope which always stayed tied there.

In a short time the sun's great display had ended, and twilight moved quickly into night. Wesley welcomed the darkness. It

would keep him unrevealed from Lona. Knowing that she would push right along, he kept his own horse walking fast, or sometimes in a slow gallop, and when he had neared the sloping terrain that led down into Rainbow Canyon itself, he stopped and dismounted. Safer now, he reasoned, to proceed afoot, especially since he wasn't at all sure what he would do if he did see Lona enter the Canyon cave again.

He was tying his horse in some brush and carefully noting the immediate landmarks in order to find it again, when the animal lifted its ears and head as if it had done once before this evening. Now, though, the beast looked back up trail, toward home.

"What is it, fellow?" Wes whispered.

The horse gave no further sign. Just listened. But that was enough; Wes knew from years of experience that a horse's nose and ears are keen, dependable. Somebody else, was coming, surely; a third rider was on the Rainbow Canyon trail and Wes reasoned that it would be either of two men, one a stranger and one known to him.

WISHING that he had brought his pistol at least, Wes nevertheless decided to take action without it. Quietly he unsling his lariat rope, petted his horse to soothe it, and walked back up the trail 50 yards or so. When he caught a glimpse of the approaching rider, he crouched out of sight. His heart was beating rapidly, and he had to force down a certain urge to get panicky.

"This is no child's play," he reminded himself. "Whoever the man is meeting Lona, he would kill me as sure as sin. And yet—by heaven I shall do this thing!"

Even before he caught a closer glimpse of the rider's silhouette, Wes felt sure he knew who it was. He was humped over in a rock shadow, waiting. It would take good aim to throw a lariat loop accurately in the starlight, but then the man's bulk should be visible against the sky, and Wes knew something of roping. Roping is fundamental to a man ranch reared.

He allowed the rider to pass, horse walking fast. Then—sws-s-s-sws-s-s-s-s—three rapid twirls of the loop and—throw!

He saw his loop dart out and settle with perfect aim around the rider's shoulders. Then Wes dug in his heels for the jerk he knew was coming.

(To Be Continued)

Stories in Stamps



Bulgaria Is Important In Europe's "New Order"

THE man—Boris III—and the country—Bulgaria—pictured on the stamp above, share world attention in Europe's conflict. Once

again this little Balkan kingdom becomes a pawn of warring nations.

Bulgaria came into existence in the 6th century, rose to greatest power during the 12th and 13th centuries, bowed to Turkish rule 100 years later. Not until 1878, after the Russo-Turkish War, did Bulgaria regain distinct national existence.

For 30 years Bulgaria remained a tributary of Turkey, before attaining independence under King Ferdinand. In the Balkan wars, Bulgaria fought Turkey, then her own allies, over a division of spoils. In the World War, Bulgaria sided with Germany. That defeat cost territory, ceded to

Yugoslavia and Greece in 1919, that Bulgaria hopes to regain.

Boris came to the throne in 1918, following the revolution that exiled his father, Ferdinand. He has held the crown despite attempts at assassination, government upheavals and a swing to Fascism.

In 1930, Boris strengthened Italo-Bulgarian friendship by marrying Princess Giovanna, daughter of the king and queen of Italy. They have two children.

Some traffic experts say pedestrian crossings in the middle of a block are safer than the crosswalks at regular intersections.

To take care of the many ideas submitted daily to the various governmental agencies, an inventions council is being set up within the framework of the Department of Commerce to look over all the ideas submitted before they reach the patent application stage.

A new device to calibrate airplane speed performance was recently demonstrated. The operation of the device is based on a combination of photoelectric cells with an amplifying system and accurate timing mechanism.

Electrostatic experts report that lightning strikes planes hundreds of times yearly, without damage, but none will state definitely that a direct bolt wouldn't injure the plane or occupants.

During the last 40 years, the manufacturers of automobiles in the United States have produced 79,000,000 cars valued at \$53,000,000,000.

In the opinion of some experienced motor mechanics, most cars are driven on a fuel mixture that is entirely too rich.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with MAJOR HOOPLE



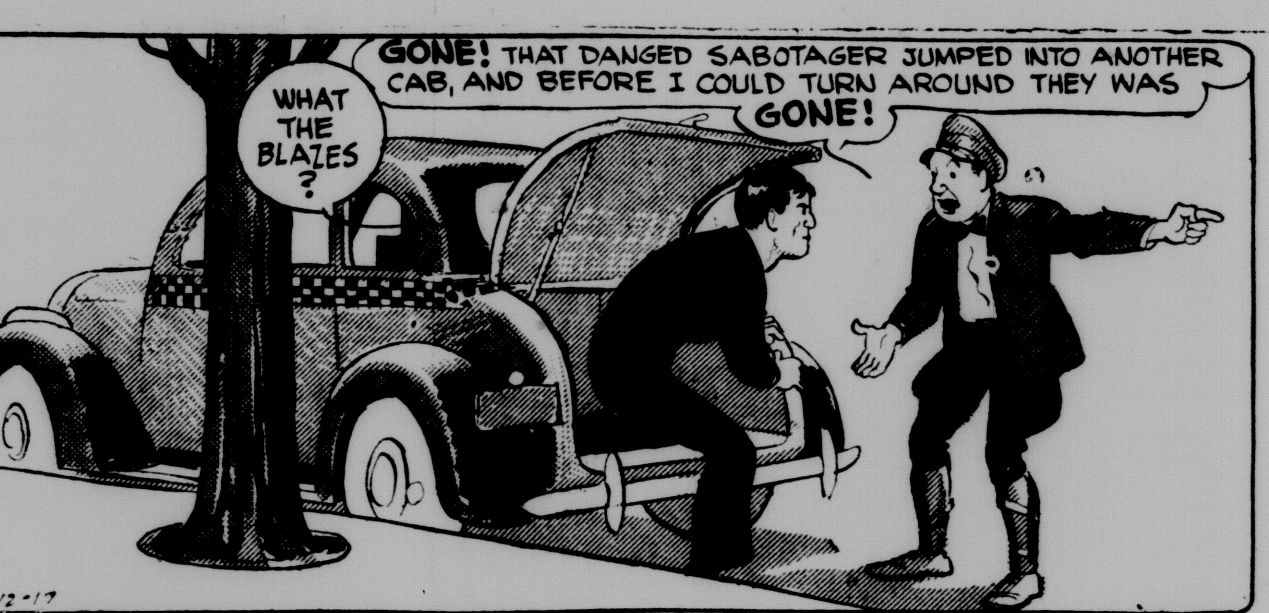
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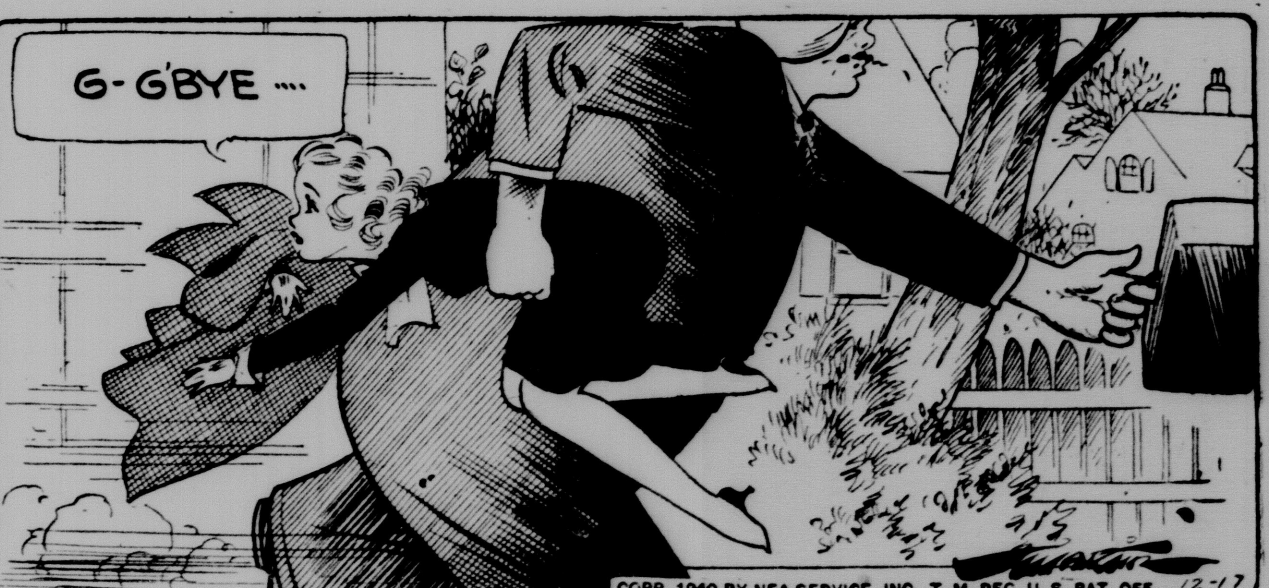
Laugh That Off



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They're Off



Wish You Were Here



Mind Your Manners

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. Should students, at home for the Christmas vacation, talk about college all the time when they are

with friends who did not go away to school but have jobs?

2. Should a student, home from college for vacation, feel that since he is home on such a short visit he can monopolize the family car?

3. If a young man sends a girl a Christmas gift through the mail must she write him a letter of thanks, even though she does not like him particularly well?

4. If you receive a gift, mailed directly from a store, and the gift is broken, is it all right to write to the store and report the matter?

5. Does a thoughtful person mail his Christmas presents early?

What would you do if—

Your family has a house guest over the Christmas holidays—

(a) See that the guest has some presents under the tree?

(b) Since you have never given the guest a gift before, feel that it isn't necessary this year?

Answers:

1. No.

2. No.

3. Yes.

4. Yes.

5. Yes. Thus he does his part in keeping the mail from piling up so heavily for the mail carriers the last few days before Christmas.

Best "What Would You Do?" solution—(a).

Cranium Crackers

Scientific Devices

Here are the names of five fairly common devices used in scientific work. Some of them appear frequently in the news; can you tell briefly the purpose of each?

1. Barograph.
2. Leyden jar.
3. Calorimeter.
4. Sextant.
5. Seismograph.

Answers on Classified Page.

Local Time Tables

MISSOURI PACIFIC

East Bound—Main Line

No. 10—Leave.....2:10 a. m.
No. 16—Leave.....4:35 a. m.
No. 12—Leave.....9:50 a. m.
No. 6—Leave.....2:25 p. m.
No. 14—Leave.....6:15 p. m.

West Bound—Main Line

No. 9—Leave.....4:35 a. m.
No. 5—Leave.....12:01 p. m.
No. 15—Leave.....7:30 p. m.
No. 11—Leave.....4:38 p. m.
No. 19—Leave.....9:30 p. m.

Lexington Branch

No. 655—Daily except Sunday Leave.....5:10 a. m.
No. 656—Daily except Sunday Arrive.....11:40 a. m.

Warsaw Branch

No. 567—Daily except Sunday Leave.....5:30 a. m.
No. 658—Daily except Sunday Arrive.....12:30 p. m.

MISSOURI PACIFIC BUS LINES

East Bound

No. 108—Leave.....3:10 p. m. (Stops at Jefferson City)

No. 110—Leave.....6:00 p. m.
No. 106—Leave.....11:10 a. m.

West Bound

No. 105—Leave.....2:50 a. m.
No. 103—Leave.....8:35 a. m.
No. 107—Leave.....1:00 p. m.
No. 109—Leave.....7:00 p. m.

MISSOURI-KANSAS-TEXAS RAILROAD

North and East Bound
No. 6—Flyer Leaves 11:57 p. m.

South and West Bound
No. 5—Flyer Leaves 6:35 a. m.

Star Actress

HORIZONTAL

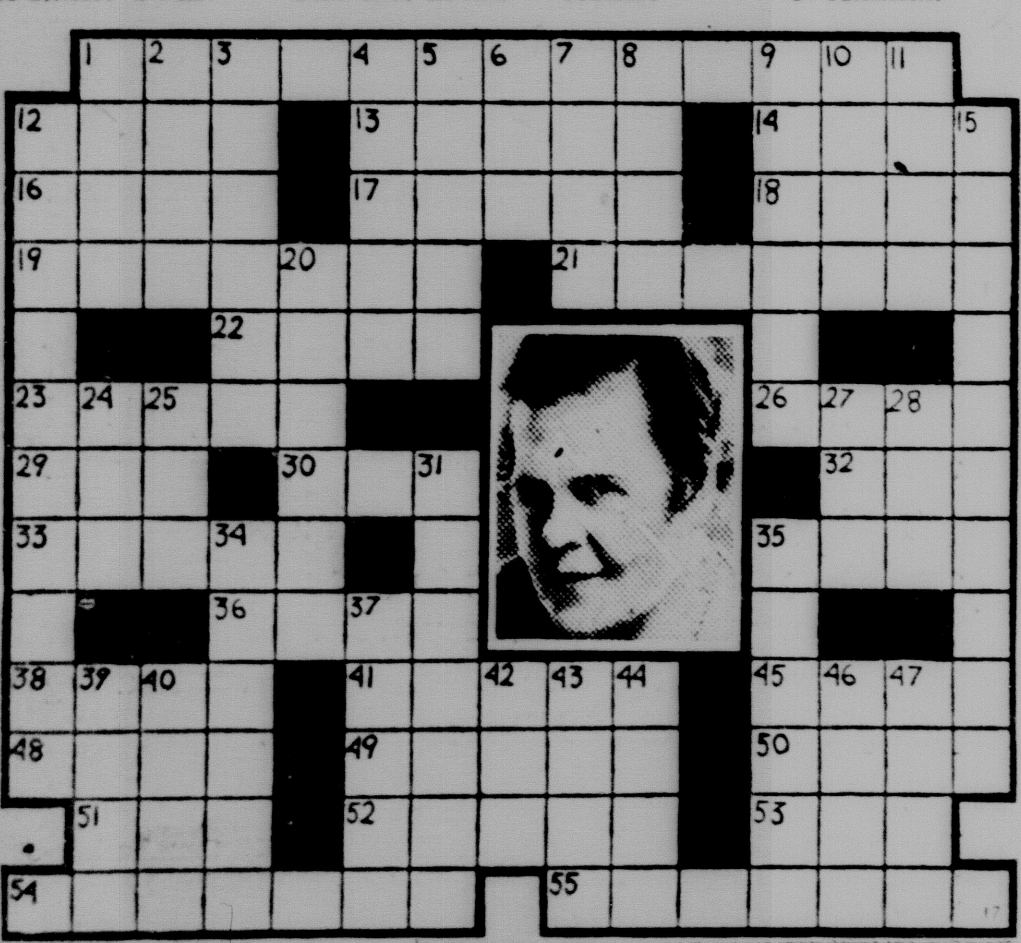
- 1 Beloved actress pictured here.
- 12 Juniper.
- 13 To thread.
- 14 Expert aviators.
- 16 Smelling badly.
- 17 Species of clams.
- 18 Street car.
- 19 Bull fighter.
- 21 Ecstasy.
- 22 Children.
- 23 To turn aside.
- 26 Tense.
- 29 Fury.
- 30 Pabled fish.
- 32 Female deer.
- 33 To rub out.
- 35 To fly.
- 36 Persia.
- 38 Back of neck.
- 41 Cavity.
- 45 Impolite.
- 48 Ratlike birds.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

GENERAL PERSHING
GAM TOADY ECU
HOPES TRI STETS
O E HEARTENED H
NO DUD AR DO
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OBLATE DIINT
ATTIC PERSHING
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RETIRED AMERICA

VERTICAL

- 10 Pale brown.
- 11 Back.
- 12 She was a — or actress of humorous roles.
- 15 Smelting plants.
- 20 Kind of window.
- 24 To do wrong.
- 25 Beverage.
- 27 Bustle.
- 28 Kind of grass.
- 31 One who honors.
- 34 Afternoon sleep.
- 35 Narrow.
- 37 Ablaze.
- 39 Oriental nurse.
- 40 Innocent.
- 42 Sun.
- 43 To clip.
- 44 Spore sacs.
- 46 Hindustani.
- 47 Animal.



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London's Business Goes On As Exploding Bombs Drop

(Continued From Page 1)

factories half way across England in order to get supplies to keep busy the bricklayers already rounded up.

Another construction problem is presented by the fire laws. Inspectors keep insisting that certain openings be eliminated, certain hallways provided with fire doors, certain stairways changed.

Faced with possible prosecution if he does not speedily make the adjustments, the manager finds himself unable to get from another arm of the government permission to use the essential materials. War operations take precedence.

So he writes application forms, gets affidavits, argues on telephones and talks himself blue in the face trying to solve the problem.

Then comes a bomb which smashes his windows, wrenches doors off hinges, rips off part of his roof. It is imperative that re-

pairs be made quickly lest rain damage records, machinery and furniture. It is almost impossible again to find men and materials.

He grows gray trying. The referee's talents become useful when one nervy and un-sleeping employee invites another into the alley to have his block knocked off because of some fancied affront which, in calmer times, would be scarcely noticed. Persons have to be separated long enough to be convinced both are slightly abnormal and should blame such things on the war.

The confessional is always in session.

The man whose home has been smashed by a bomb weeps on his employer's shoulder.

The fellow whose wife or child or other near kin has been a casualty has to be brought around by sympathetic and fortifying words.

The chap who sees bankruptcy staring him in the face because he can no longer reach work from the home he owns and cannot afford to rent a room closer to the office brings his problem for solution.

There are family rows, too, born of weariness, stuffy blacked out rooms, altered rhythms and nerves. Thrown Off Stride

Wives cry about husbands who are too huffy to come home on frightening blitz nights or start to drown their sorrows in the pubs. Husbands are thrown off their stride by hysterical outbursts at home.

That manager who can so arrange things that his employees get to work on time in spite of the

uncertainties of transportation, is a transportation wizard.

Some attempt to solve this problem by adjusting hours to allow for jams, halts and tie-ups. Others hire cars with courageous drivers who have no fear of falling fragments and can skid nonchalantly round newmade craters in the streets. These cars call for and deliver those who need the help.

Some of the bigger employers have whole fleets of buses which wait for their employees at day's end and then start out, each to his district, to deliver workers at their homes before the evening's night-mare begins.

All a lawyer's argumentative ability comes into play when appeals must be made to government, which is most of the time.

Permission On News

This is especially true in the news gathering business. It is no longer the simple matter of saying to a reporter, "get out to such a place, see what is happening there and come back with a story."

You are likely to be required to make application in writing for permission to send the reporter there. You send it by messenger and back it up by long arguments on the telephone. Often you hop into the cab and make the appeal in person.

If you are good, the employee goes on his job and brings back his story whereupon you have to begin entirely new series of appeals to censorship to prove it is safe to use the story.

All employers must do a deal of arguing to save from military levies the minimum essentials of a trained staff, even when their business is very important to the war effort.

And arguments alone do not win. You frequently have to bring pressure to bear by enlisting persons prominent elsewhere in the government in your cause. You see what pull, what influence and what fear of superiors you can conjure up in order to win the point; in fact, all the devices of a professional politician.

Fortunate is the manager who has had army experience. The ARP unit if his own plant or building is a little army in itself, dedicated to watchfulness, to the disposal of incendiary bombs, the organization of stretcher, demolition and rescue parties.

Not only does he help control this force, but he is required by law to keep a fire watch at all hours and he must man his roof with sentries during raids to give the alarm when planes approach near enough to threaten the building.

A fourth war organization is that of his shelter wardens, who maintain order underground, especially at night, and at the same time attend to those who may be sick or injured in the sheltering group.

The manager is a permanent "officer of the day" in his building or plant.

Beyond these things he has nothing to do but the things a manager would have to do in America, except maybe fill out a host of forms for army and navy, deduct the social security and income tax from each salary envelope, satisfy the war risk and bombardment insurance people on changes in the salary and status of employees and damage done to the plant.

Applications For Parity Payments Due

W. E. Ragar Makes Announcement That Dec. 31 Is Limit

W. E. Ragar, chairman of the Pettis County Agricultural Conservation committee advises Pettis county farmers that all applications for parity payments under the 1940 Farm Program must be on file in the county office by December 31. Payments are to be made only when applications are submitted before this date.

Parity payments were made this year to corn, wheat and cotton farmers throughout the state. Information obtained from the state office indicated the right is reserved by the Secretary of Agriculture to withhold payment from any person who fails to file the necessary forms before the date set forth in the program regulations.

Some Not In

The chairman said that a number of farmers who are eligible for these parity payments have not yet submitted their applications. "We are anxious to complete our 1940 parity work," he said,

"and while we do not want anyone to lose a payment which he has earned it will, nevertheless, be necessary for us to adhere strictly to the requirements written in the farm program law."

Applications for payment have been prepared and mailed to all eligible applicants in Pettis county for their signatures however a number of applicants have not returned their applications to the county office so that they may be submitted to the state office for payment.

To date 3,112 applications have been received by the county committee. Of this number 3012 have been paid, a total of \$78,134.42. It is estimated that there are 150 applicants still to be paid.

Prices Are Determined

Farmers who are eligible to receive a corn parity payment receive five cents a bushel on the normal yield of their acreage allotment. Determined on the same basis, wheat producers receive ten cents per bushel, and cotton producers \$1.55 per 100 pounds.

Mr. Ragar explained that parity payments are made to farmers in

order to bring the prices they receive for commodities more in line with the prices they pay for other goods. These payments are in addition to the regular agricultural conservation payments made under the Triple-A Farm Program.

Leaves For South Carolina
Glenn Clayton Rogers, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Clayton Rogers, Sr., of Marshall, left Saturday afternoon for Spartanburg, South Carolina, where he will receive one year's training in camp there.

Mr. Rogers was accompanied to Spartanburg by Charles R. Budney of Valley Park, Mo., and at Kansas City they were joined by Garrett Pearson of Indianapolis, Ind., who expects to return soon.

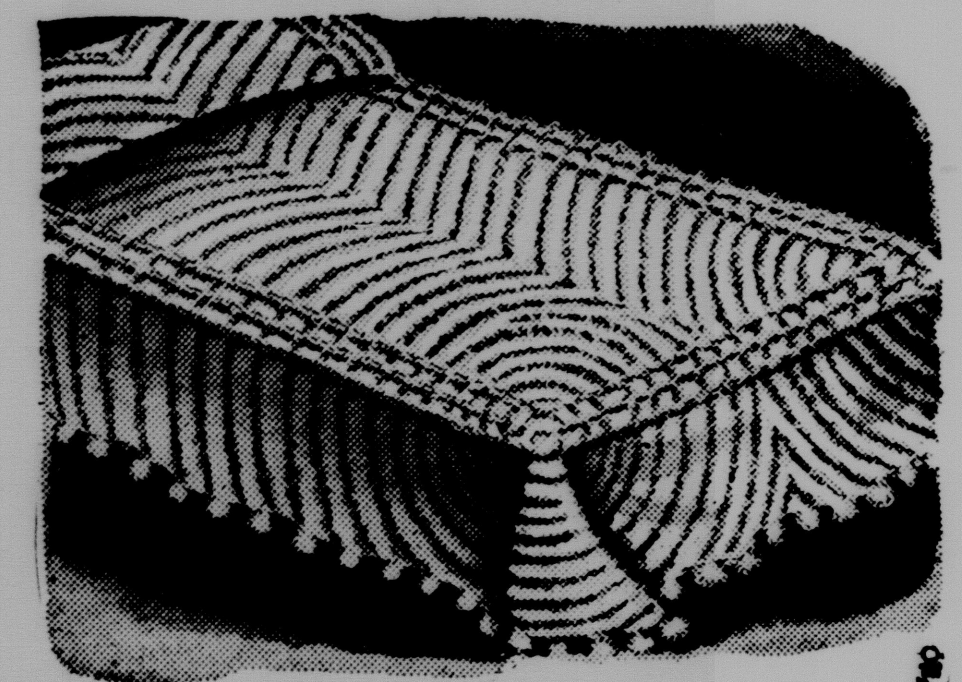
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